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YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS  
FOR NEW ENGLAND

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YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS  
FOR NEW ENGLAND



16<sup>th</sup> Mo<sup>th</sup>  
1762

Samuel Shove  
Answer

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1762, Donaganset Meeting Colled James Shearman & Caleb Drusbell present, for Coahset Joshua Deul present, Samuel Shove & Rebecca Tucher jr did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order established amongst us in the performance thereof, and Joseph Smith & Paul Drusbell are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Adam Mott  
Proposer of  
Marriage

Adam Mott jr and Rachel Rider did lay their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Joseph Tucher Joseph Smith are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Cleareness as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Jacob Chase  
Case referred

the Matter Concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next monthly Meeting;

Mosher  
accepted

this Meeting doth Conclude to accept of Ebenezar Mosher to be one in unity with us and under our Care

Complaint against  
Archapas Hart  
a Testimony to  
be given against  
him

Whereas Archapas Hart hath declined attending Meeting for Religious worship and Discipline, and he hath been sufficiently dealt with by the Visitors and Monthly Meeting, and he still continues in the above said disorder, therefore we can do no less than bear a Testimony against him, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher to draw a paper of Denial against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

Report from  
Quarterly  
meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting signify that they attended it, and conveyed the Epistle and Queries as appointed, This Meeting Received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting which was read and well accepted;

Words to give  
for yearly  
meeting

This Meeting doth appoint Caleb Drusbell, Dr Sanford, Joseph Smith, Dan Drusbell, and Barnabas Mosher to have an Inspection on over the Galleries & Seats at our fall Meeting; and Joshua Deul, Ethiel Tripp, Joseph Tripp and Philip Tripp are appointed for the same Service at Coahset Meeting



12 Mo: 1762

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>: 1762; Donaganset Meeting called Paul Prussell and W<sup>m</sup> Barber present, for Cabsot Philip Trippas and Isaac Wood present;

Thomas Prussell, pro-posal of marriage

Tho: Prussell and Edith Shearman did lay their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Joseph Smith and Paul Prussell are appointed to make Inquiry into the young mans Cleareness as to Marriage and Conversation, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Report of Sam<sup>l</sup> Shove and Rebeckah Tucker

The friends appointed to see Sam<sup>l</sup> Shove and Rebeckah Tucker Marriage Consumated, make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in Good Order;

Adam Mott and Rachel Rider

Adam Mott and Rachel Rider not appearing for their Answer, the matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

Case of Jacob Chase

The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

Archapus Hart

There was a paper of Senial brought to this Meeting, against Archapus Hart which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

The friends

The friends appointed to see that the People behave orderly in the Galleries and Seats, signified that they have discharged their trust;

Whereas Nath<sup>l</sup> Howland

Whereas Nath<sup>l</sup> Howland hath returned his Certificate to this Meeting from the Oblong, therefore this Meeting hath signed another for him

12 Mo: 1762

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1762; Donaganset Meeting called Deleq Smith and Abraham Tucker present, for Cabsot not present; the Friends appointed to inquire into Adam Mott's Cleareness, make Report that they do not find any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

Thomas Prussell's Cleareness

The friends appointed to make Inquiry into Tho: Prussell's Cleareness, make Report that they do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage

12 month 1762  
Adam Mott's Answer

Adam Mott and Rachel Rider did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was, that they might proceed in Marriage, in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, observing the Good Order Established amongst us in the performance thereof, and Paul Prussell and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in said order and make report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Tho: Prussell's Answer

Tho: Prussell and Edith Shearman did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the Good order Established among us in the performance thereof, and W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and David Smith are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in said order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Ebenezer Mosher's proposal of marriage

Ebenezer Mosher and Jane Crow did lay their intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Barnabas Mosher and David Shepherd are appointed to make inquiry into the young mans Cleareness, as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting; The matter concerning Jacob Chase is referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

The matter concerning Archapus Hart

The matter concerning Archapus Hart is referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

Whereas Tho: Smith's Request

Whereas Tho: Smith's Request a few lines by way of Certificate to the monthly Meeting at Nantucket, certifying his Cleareness as to Marriage and Conversation, therefore this Meeting doth appoint W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and W<sup>m</sup> Barber to make inquiry into his Cleareness and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting doth Adjourn

This Meeting doth Adjourn to the 10<sup>th</sup> Hour tomorrow in the fore noon;



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1762

This Meeting met according to adjournment the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1762, the Representatives being Called for Donaganset Abraham Tucker present, for Coahset none present whereas the Friends appointed at Coahset preparative Meeting to attend this Meeting hath neglected to Attend as appointed, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Philip Tripp and Christopher Gifford to treat with them to know the Reasons why they did not attend and make report to the next monthly Meeting;

Whereas David Deuel Requests to come under friends Care which this Meeting thinks proper to Refer to the next Monthly Meeting, and Christopher Gifford and Philip Tripp are appointed to treat with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Peter Deuel & Philip Tripp are appointed Elders in the Church by this Meeting

Whereas Sandwich Monthly Meeting Requests of this Meeting to Give a List of all the friends living to the Eastward of Quictionnot River set off by the yearly Meeting (and also if there be any under transgression before set off by the above said Meeting, this Meeting deal with them) which we think to be out of our Jurisdiction and therefore Refer to the Quarterly Meeting for advice in that particular

Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Humphrey Smith, Caleb Prussell and Philip Tripp are Appointed Representatives to attend our Quarterly Meeting, and they to draw an Epistle to the same and bring it to the Adjournment of the Meeting;

David Smith and W<sup>m</sup> Barker are appointed to make up Accounts with the Treasurer, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

David Smith is Appointed Treasurer in the place of the former Treasurer

Seth Shearman and John Potter are Appointed to have the Care of the Meeting House, and also to Agree with some Body to keep the House, and make fires when necessary;

Friends to attend next meeting

To settle with the Treasurer

overseers of the meeting house appointed

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1762

Barthas Certificate

Lydia Barker wife to David Barker hath brought a Certificate to this Meeting from the Monthly Meeting of Swansey, which was read and Accepted;

This Meeting is adjourned to the 7<sup>th</sup> day of next month This Meeting being Met according to adjournment the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the first M<sup>o</sup> 1763, Donaganset Called Abraham Tucker and Deleg Smith present, for Coahset none present

Queries Answered

The Queries have been read, and Answers made by the Visitors, and they are ordered to be sent up by the Representatives Job Prussell Informs this Meeting that he desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Swansey, Certifying his Cleanness as to Marriage and Conversation, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Caleb Prussell and David Smith to make Enquiry, and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

Epistle to Quarterly Meeting

This Meeting hath sent up an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives which was signed in this Meeting

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1763

Benzer's Report

Benzer's Answer

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the first Month 1763, Donaganset Called Paul Prussell present for Coahset Joseph Tripp present, the Friends appointed to make Enquiry into Benzer Messers Cleanness make Report that they do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage;

Benzer Messer and Jane Cray did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was, that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, Observing that and Joseph Smith and Barnabas Messer are appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

the friends appointed to see Adam Mott and Prachel Peeters Marriage Consummated, make Report, that they attended the



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Report of  
Thos Ruffell  
marriage

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Certificate  
for Thomas  
Smith

Report of  
Quarterly  
meeting

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to come  
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The Marriage and Saw nothing but that it was Accom-  
plished in Good order, Likewise the friends Appointed to see  
Thos Ruffell and Edith Shearmans Marriage Consumate,  
make Report that they attended the Marriage and Saw  
nothing but that it was accomplished orderly  
The Matter Concerning Jacob Chase is Refer'd to the next  
Monthly Meeting;  
The Matter Concerning Archapas Hart is Refer'd to  
the next Monthly Meeting;  
There was a Certificate signed in this Meeting for Thos Smith,  
Certifying his Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation to the  
Monthly Meeting of Nantucket;  
Whereas there was five friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly  
Meeting, they being Called upon at this Meeting, three make  
Report that they attended as Appointed, and the other two  
make Satisfactory Excuses;  
This Meeting Received an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting  
which was read to Good Satisfaction;  
The Quarterly Meeting hath Concluded that this Meeting Give  
a List of all the Friends Living at the Eastward Side of  
Duxbury River, and also that this Meeting deal with the  
Transgressors, therefore Abraham Tucker and Caleb Ruffell  
are Appointed to prepare a List of the above Friends that  
they find to stand Clear, and also to deal with those friends  
that they find under transgression  
Whereas Samuel Cornel Requests to be taken under friends care  
and also his Children, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint  
Joseph Tucker and Peter Smith and Daniel Ruffell to  
discourse with him, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
This Meeting Adjourns to the last fourth day in this Month  
This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 26  
of the first month 1763; the Representations being called  
for Donaganset Paul Ruffell and James Shearman  
Present for Cahsel Israel Wood present

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David Deuel  
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To Review the  
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of marriage

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List of friends  
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The friends Appointed to treat with Joseph Tripp and Will  
Macomber (for not attending the Monthly Meeting when  
appointed by the preparative Meeting) not being both present  
to make report, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Othniel  
Tripp and Philip Tripp, to talk with them and make report to the  
next Monthly Meeting;  
The matter Concerning David Deuel is Refer'd to the next  
Monthly Meeting, and Othniel Tripp and Philip Tripp are  
appointed to talk with him and make report to the next  
Monthly Meeting  
The Friends that was Appointed to make up accounts with  
the Treasurer not being present therefore the Matter is  
Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;  
There was a Certificate signed in this Meeting for Job Ruffell  
to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzy Certifying his Clearness  
as to Marriage and Conversation;  
This Meeting Appoints Abraham Tucker or Joseph Tucker,  
David Smith and Job Ruffell to peruse the monthly Meeting  
Minutes to see what they think proper to be put on Record  
and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 21 of the 2<sup>d</sup> Month 1763, Donaganset Called  
Joseph Smith & Caleb Ruffell present for Cahsel Peter  
Deuel and Philip Tripp present,  
John Dillingham and Ruth Gifford did lay their intentions  
of Marriage before this Meeting, and were desired to wait til  
the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer  
The friends Appointed to see Ebenezer Mosher and Jean  
Crnoz Marriage Consumate, make Report that they  
attended the Marriage and Saw nothing but that it  
was Accomplished in Good order;  
The Matter of Jacob Chases is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting  
The Matter of Archapas Harts is Refer'd to the next Monthly  
Meeting;  
Whereas the friends Appointed to prepare a List of the  
friends Living to the Eastward Side of Duxbury River



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Elihu Russell  
proposal of  
marriage

that they shall find stand clear, and also to deal  
with those under transgressions, have signified to this  
Meeting that they have not done it, therefore this  
Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucher Caleb Russell and  
Joseph Smith for the same purpose and they to make Report  
to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to talk with Daniel Cro-nell make  
a Satisfactory Report to this Meeting, therefore this Meeting  
doth accept of D Cro-nell to be under our care and also all  
his Children now under age

The Monthly Meeting of women friends Inform us that they  
have Received Synthia wood and Elizabeth Hocum to be  
under their care and this Meeting doth Concur with the same

The Matter Concerning David Deuel is Refered to the next  
Monthly Meeting;

The friends Appointed to Make up Accounts with the Treasurer  
make Report that they have done it and there Remains  
in the Stock 12 s<sup>4</sup> old tender

The Friends Appointed to Review the Monthly <sup>meeting</sup> Minutes  
in order for them to go to Record, make Report that they  
have done according to Appointment;

This Meeting has Collected £8-10-10 Old tender and then  
order the Treasurer to pay Jonathan Rubey three Dollars for <sup>proposal of</sup> marriage  
keeping the Meeting House half a year, and make Report  
to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting Appoints Peter Deuel and Philip Tripp Visi-  
tors for Coatsset the year ensuing and Caleb Russell for the same  
service in Donaganset

Elihu Russell and Elizabeth Hocum did Lay their Intention  
of Marriage before this Meeting and were desired to wait till  
the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Humphry  
Smith and Paul Russell are Appointed to make Inquiry  
into the young mans Cleanness as to Marriage and Con-  
versation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

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In Dillingham  
Certificate

In Dillingham  
Answer

Elihu Russell  
Answer

Propose  
paper Accept

List of friends  
Sandwich  
Quarter paper

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of the  
3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1763, Donaganset Meeting called Joseph Smith &  
Wm Anthony jr present, for Coatsset Joseph Tripp &  
Israel Wood present

John Dillingham produced a Certificate to this Meeting from  
Sandwich Monthly Meeting which was read and Accepted

John Dillingham and Ruth Gifford did appear for their Answer  
and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each  
other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this  
and the next monthly Meeting, observing the Good order  
Established Among us, in the performance thereof, and  
Joseph Tucher and Joseph Smith are Appointed to see their  
Marriage Consumated in said order and make Report there-  
to the next Monthly Meeting; Elihu Russell (Cearness) was Reported as

Elihu Russell and Elizabeth Hocum did likewise appear for  
their Answer, and their Answer was in like manner with the  
former, and Humphry Smith and Paul Russell are Appointed  
to see their Marriage Consumated in like order and make  
Report thereof to the next Monthly Meeting

Henry Smith and Synthia wood did likewise appear for  
their Answer and their Answer was in like manner with the  
former

Henry Smith and Synthia wood did lay their Intention  
of Marriage before this Meeting, and were desired to wait  
untill the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer

and John Russell and Wm Anthony jr are Appointed to Dis-  
Inquiry in the young mans Cleanness as to Marriage and  
Conversation and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

This meeting doth Conclude to accept of Jacob Chafes paper  
of Condemnation for Satisfaction for his outgoing, provided he  
read it or get some friend to read it at the Close of a first  
day meeting for worship and be present

The matter Concerning Archapax Hart is Refered to the  
next monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to prepare a list of those friends



3 month 1763

Living at the eastward side of Quisset River that the month 1763 shall find stand clear have prepared his list and it has been signed in this meeting by the clerks

Daual Children accepted

This Meeting doth Conclude to accept of David Davel and his wife Children to be in unity with us under our Care

John Gifford receive a Certificate

The matter concerning Eben Davis is referred to next month, whereas John Gifford Requests a Certificate for himself and same therefore this meeting Appoints Daniel Ruppell and Nicholas Howland to make Enquiry into his Conversation and Circumstances and draw one if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly Meeting

Friends appointed to draw a meeting

Joseph Tucker, Humphrey Smith, Peter Sewal, and Philipp appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and draw an Epistle to the same and bring it to the Adjournment of this Meeting, the Queries was Read and Answered in this Meeting

Meeting adjourn

This Meeting is Adjourned to the first day of next month

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This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the first of the 1<sup>st</sup> mo: 1763, the Representatives being called William Anthony jr present

Disorderly marriage

whereas Isaac Sanford hath Married out of the unity of friends and he hath been timely Cautioned, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Caleb Ruppell & W<sup>m</sup> Barther to Labour with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Meeting refer

The matter concerning Chusing Visitors is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Epistle to Quarterly meeting

This Meeting hath signed and sent an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

1<sup>st</sup> mo: 1763

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> mo: 1763, Donaganset Meeting called Daniel Ruppell and William Barther present, for Catsset James Cornal and Joshua Davel present, Henry Smith (Carnoch) was Reported as if he and Henry Smith and Cynthia wood did appear for their answers and their answer was that they might proceed to take either in Marriage in some convenient time between this and

Debrah Allen to be one in unity with us and under our care which this Meeting concurs with, They also Inform that they have concluded to accept of Idith Trippi paper of Condemnation for Satisfaction, Provided she Bread it or get some friend to Bread it at the end of a first day Meeting for worship she being present, which this Meeting likewise concurs with

whereas there has been a Complaint brought against Joshua Barther by one of the Visitors in three respects, First in Declining to make friends Satisfaction concerning a scandalous Report about he and Catharine Ruppell a Married woman in their too frequently keeping Company, And secondly in Declining to pay the Constable his Demand for a Tax, Thirdly, in Neglecting to Comply with a verdict brought Against him for burning some Drails belonging to Henry Tucker therefore this meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker, Paul Ruppell, and Joseph Smith a Committee to Labour with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Nathaniel Woodish Inform this Meeting that he is about to Remove to the nine-partences, and Requests a few lines by way of Certificate for himself and family, therefore Joseph Gifford and Jonathan Hufsey are Appointed to make Enquiry into his Conversation and affairs, and draw one if they think proper and bring to the next Monthly Meeting whereas Tho: Dotter son of John Dotter hath gone contrary to Good order in Marrying out of the unity of friends, and in having a Child soon after Marriage for which disorders he hath been Laboured with and declines to make Satisfaction therefore this Meeting doth Appoint W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and Jonathan Hufsey to Labour with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Allen and Dithi Received

Complaint against Barther

with Bowditch against a Certificate

Thomas Dotter under dealing



5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1763

A monthly Meeting of friends held at our Meeting in Dartmouth on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1763. Donagan, Smith present, for the friends Appointed to see into Abner Shephard's Clearness, signifying that they find nothing to hinder his Intended Marriage. Abner Shephard and Hannah Gifford appeared at this Meeting their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time betwixt this and the next Monthly Meeting, observing our Good order in the Confirmation thereof, and Wm Sanford and David Smith are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated and make Return to the next Monthly Meeting.

Abner Shephard's Clearness

Abner Shephard's Answer

Report of Henry Smith's Marriage

Archapostolus's Case

John Taber's Dismissal

The friends Appointed to see Henry Smith's and Synthia Wood's Marriage Consummated, signify that it was accomplished in good order. And whereas Archapostolus hath given some Encouragement concerning keeping to meeting, therefore the matter is suspended. Whereas John Taber just having been Married out of our Good order, and showing any desire to make satisfaction having been Laboured with, we think sufficiently, therefore this Meeting doth conclude to let him aside, and do deny him from being in unity with us.

Isaac Smith hath Read Abigail Macumber's and Zilphia Davel's papers of Denial, as ordered, and Abigail Macumber's Denial is as followeth.

Testimony of Abigail Macumber

Whereas Abigail Macumber of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England, was the daughter of Joseph Macumber & daughter of Benj<sup>n</sup> Allen and Deborah his wife, both deceased of Dartmouth aforesaid, being one who hath been under the Care of us the People called Quakers, but for want of prospect to her Education hath gone from our Good order and Married in the Common way of the other people and not only so but since her

Marriage her Conversation hath not been agreeable to our holy profession, in particular she not living with her husband, and friend, having Laboured with her in love in order to bring her to a sense of her outgoings, but nothing appearing to friends satisfaction of any true Repentance, we can do no less for the clearing of the polluted truth but to set her forth as a publick denial against her, and do give Abigail Macumber, to be one in unity with the said people sincerely desiring she may come to a sight and sense of her outgoings, and find mercy, Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1763, and signed in and by order of said Meeting by Job Russell Clerk.

Zilphia Davel's Denial is as follows Viz,

Whereas Zilphia Davel Daughter of Braden Davel and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol, in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England being one that hath been under the Care of friends the People called Quakers, yet by disregarding the Principle of truth in her self, and giving way to the Insinuation of the evil one hath fallen into the heinous sin of fornication, for which she hath been Laboured with in love to bring her to a sense of her evil action but nothing seeming to appear of true Repentance, we think it our duty to set her aside and do Publickly deny the said Zilphia Davel to be one in unity with us the above said people, yet truly desiring she may come to a sight and sense of this her Great sin and find mercy;

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> mo. 1763. and signed in and by order of said meeting by Job Russell Clerk.

The matter concerning John Gifford's Certificate is referred to the next monthly Meeting.

Friends do conclude to accept of Mr. Davis's paper for satisfaction.

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Testimony against Zilphia Davel

Case of John Gifford

Mr Davis's paper accepted



5 month  
1763  
The matter concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next  
monthly Meeting

Editha Tripps paper not having been read is referred  
in order that it may be accomplished between this and the  
next Month Meeting

The matter concerning Chusing Vifectors is referred to the next  
Month Meeting

The paper of Denial brought and signed in this Meeting  
with the women Meeting Against Lydia Pottle  
Pupell is appointed to read it at New-town Meeting  
on a first day at the end of the meeting for worship

The Matter concerning Joshua Burkes is referred to the next  
Monthly Meeting, and the Com<sup>rs</sup> Still Continued that hath already  
had the Matter in hand

There was a Certificate signed at this Meeting for Nathaniel  
Rowditch and his wife, they being going to settle at the  
partence

The friends appointed to deal with Thomas Potter signify they had  
done it, and he gave them no Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting  
thinks Proper to deny him, and W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and Jonathan  
are appointed to draw up a paper of denial against him and  
bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

There was £33:10 old tenner Gathered by this Meeting to pay  
for transcribing our Book of Disciplines, which is paid

Nicholas Howland jun<sup>r</sup> hath Given in a paper to this Meeting  
signifying his sorrow for his disorderly Marriage, which the  
Meeting Accepts

Uchus Puffell and his wife being removed to the Oblong  
live and desires a few lines from this Meeting to the Monthly  
there, and Humphry Smith and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> are Appo  
to draw a Certificate and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting  
if they think proper

There was a Complaint brought to this Meeting, that William  
Smith hath been Addicted to take too much Spirituous Liquor  
Therefore this Meeting Appoints Humphry Smith & Jonathan  
Murvey to talk with him upon that account and

Editha Tripps  
paper not  
read

Chusing  
Vifectors  
paper

Joshua  
Burkes

Nathaniel  
Rowditch

Thomas  
Potter

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Nicholas  
Howland

Uchus  
Puffell

William  
Smith

Make Return to the next Monthly Meeting

Whereas there is Considerable due from this Meeting to  
Daniel Pupell upon Stephen Wilcox his Account therefore  
this Meeting doth Give leave that he Cut wood at 16<sup>s</sup> per  
cord old tenon Except any body doth Appear that will Give  
more until the debt is paid, on the Meeting House Lot

Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker hath signified his desire of coming  
under the Care of Friends, therefore Joseph Gifford and Pa  
Pupell are Appointed to Inquire concerning his Conversa  
and talk with him and bring in their Account to the next  
Monthly Meeting

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Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker  
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to come  
under the  
care of  
friends

5<sup>th</sup> mo:  
1763

Richardson  
proposal of  
marriage

part of Henry  
proposal of  
marriage

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the  
6<sup>th</sup> mo. 1763, Ponaganset Meeting Called Deleog Smith and  
Abraham Tucker present, for Conts<sup>l</sup> Joseph Tripp present  
John Ricetson jun<sup>r</sup> and Patience Tucker did Lay their Intenti  
ons of Marriage before this Meeting, and were desired to wait  
til the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and W<sup>m</sup>  
Barber and Job Pupell are Appointed to make Inquiry into  
the young mans Clearness as to Marriage and Conversation  
and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to see Abner Shepherd and Hannah Gifford  
Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the  
Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in  
Good order







*7<sup>th</sup> month 1763*  
*John Picketson for Council*  
*Epistle Received*  
*John Picketson at foot*

The friends Appointed to Inquire into John Picketsons <sup>Case</sup> <sup>1763</sup> do not find anything to hinder his proceeding in Marriage  
 Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting held in London the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1762 which was Read to Good Satisfaction  
 John Picketson and Patience Tucker did Appear for the Answer and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the good order Established Among us in the Performances thereof  
 and Abraham Tucker and Wm Barker are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in said order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Case of John Gifford*  
*Case of Isaac Sanford*  
*Report from Quarterly Meeting*  
*Epistle Received*  
*Joshua Barker*  
*Disowned*  
*The Potters paper read*

The matter Concerning Giving John Gifford a Certificate is referred to the next Monthly Meeting  
 The Matter Concerning Isaac Sanford is referred to the next Monthly Meeting - As is also the Matter Concerning Wm Barker  
 The Friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting make Report that they have attended it and produced an Epistle from the same which was Read & well received  
 The Committee Appointed to Labour with Joshua Barker make Report that he Profused to Comply with their Advice, and that he gave them no Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting do set him aside, and Appoints Wm Sanford and Jonathan Hussey to draw a paper of Denial Against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting if they think proper  
 Thomas Potters paper of denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of last monthly meeting  
 And is as followeth

Whereas Tho: Potter Son of John Potter & Margaret his wife he the said Thomas Potter having been one under our Care, yet through unwatchfulness Gave way to the temptation of the Enemy so as to fall into that shameful Sin of Fornication, which appears by his Wife having a Child soon after Marriage, and he hath been Labouring with from time to time for his Misconduct hoping he may see his Dutyness and Make friends Satisfaction, but he still Remains Obstinat and Profuses to Make friends Satisfaction, therefore for the clearing of truth we can do no less than Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him the said Thomas Potter Denying him from being in Membership with us the People Called Quakers yet we sincerely desire that he may come to a sense of his Dutyness, and through unfeigned Repentance find Mercy, Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 7<sup>th</sup> mo: 1763.  
 Signed in and by order of said Meeting by - Abraham Tucker Peleg Smith Peleg Deuel

The matter Concerning Jonathan Carter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting  
 David Kerby's order by marriage is referred to the next Monthly Meeting  
 Catsset preparative meeting, informs this meeting, that David Sherly hath Married out of the Unity of friends and that they have Laboured with him and he gave them no Satisfaction therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly Meeting

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1763, Donayset Meeting called Peleg Smith and Caleb Russell present  
 Catsset Meeting called John Mosher and Philip Tripp present  
 The Friends Appointed to see John Picketsons Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order  
 This Meeting Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting



8 month 1763

Recess  
Divers  
Certificator

Meeting held at Newport on the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1763  
which was read to good Satisfaction;  
This Meeting likewise Read an Epistle from the yearly Meeting for sufferings in London, and one from the yearly Meeting held at Philadelphia, and one from the yearly Meeting held at flushing, and one from our friends John Woolman and Samuel Eftburn, All of which were Read in this meeting to good Satisfaction and as they contain Good Advice, and Many Good Exhortations the Contents are Recommended to friends Observations;

John Gifford  
Cafe refer

The Matter Concerning Giving John Gifford a Certificate is refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Isaac Sanford  
Cafe refer

The Matter Concerning Isaac Sanford is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Wm Howland  
Cafe refer

This Meeting doth Accept of W<sup>m</sup> Howland's paper of Condempnation for Satisfaction Provided that he Read it or Get some friend to read it at the end of a frost day meeting for washing, and he be present between this and the next Monthly Meeting;

Joshua Barber  
Cafe refer

The Matter Concerning Joshua Barber is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

Jonathan Clark  
Cafe refer

The Matter Concerning Jonathan Clark is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

David Sherby  
Cafe refer

The Matter Concerning David Sherby is like wise Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting and John Mosher and Othriah Tripp are Appointed to Labour with him and make report to the next Monthly Meeting  
This Meeting hath Collected £ 5-17-8<sup>d</sup> old tenor and David

order to pay  
Jonathan  
Huggins

Smith is order'd to pay Jonathan Huggins three Dollars keeping the Meeting House half a year.

order of  
the year  
to report

This Meeting appoints Nicholas Howland and Paul Ruppell overseers of the poor to have an Inspection into their

month 1763

Complaint against  
Deuil

and to make Report once a Quarter  
There hath been Complaint brought against Peuben Deuil by one of the Visitors in several Respects in not attending Meeting, and in his Conduct which Appears Scandalous, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Christopher Gifford and Volantime Huddleston to Labour with him if they have an opportunity and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,  
This Meeting hath Come to a subscription for the Relief of Stephen Wilcox and family;

1763

Success  
equal of  
marriage

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>mo</sup> 1763. Ponaganset Meeting called Thomas Smith and James Shearman present, for Coates Deleg Huddleston & Peter Deuil present  
Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker and Surrualh Richelsol Declard their Intentions of Marriage to this Meeting and were desired to wait til next monthly Meeting for their Answer and Caleb Ruppell and Joseph Gifford are Appointed to Enquire into the young mans Cleareness as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

William Howland

order to pay

order to pay

order to pay

order to pay

is as follows - viz  
William Howland Paper being Read as order'd, the 16<sup>th</sup> 5 month 1763  
the Monthly Meeting of friends, to be holden at Dartmouth, the 16<sup>th</sup> 5 month 1763  
worthy friends, Whoseca, I have through unwatchfulness Some times been Guilty of  
being too Much Spiritious & Signor to the Reproach of truth and Grief of the friends  
creeps, for which outgoings of mine they have in Love Labour'd with me, which  
calmness, I do gratefully acknowledge as a sure mark of their tender regard for my  
well, which causeth me the more freely, not only to Confess, but also to Condemn my  
conduct in the above Respects, but as I have a great regard for friends, and  
a good order established Among them, and a desire to Refrain from the above  
evil for the future, So I desire friends to pass by my offense for the time past, and  
attend me under their Care, Hoping for the future with Divine Assistance to be  
watchful over my self, that my life & Conversation may be such as may  
Not bring the like trouble on friends; William Howland



9 month 1763

Certificate There was a Certificate signed at this Meeting for John Gifford and his Wife and Children to the Monthly Meeting at Bolton;

The Matter concerning Joshua Barker is referred to the next Monthly Meeting as is likewise the Matter concerning David Kirby;

David Smith has paid Jonathan Husey three Dollars according to the order of last Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting doth conclude to accept of Jonathan Clark to be one under our Care;

This Meeting doth likewise accept of Isaac Sanford's paper condemning his outgoings for satisfaction and to remain under our Care

This Meeting doth Appoint Humphry Smith, Wm Anthony jr: and Philip Tripp to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to draw an Epistle to the same and compile the Answers to the Queries and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting, The Queries have been Read and Answered by the preparative Meetings

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in the next Month at the tenth Hour in the forenoon

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the Representatives being called but none present The friends appointed to treat with Breuben Deuel have made no report to this Meeting therefore the Matter is referred to the next Monthly Meeting;

Joseph Howland Requests to come friends Care, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Wm Sanford and Jonathan Husey to treat with him and make Inquiry into his

signed  
for John Gifford & fam  
signed  
for David Kirby  
for David Smith  
for Jonathan Clark  
for Isaac Sanford  
for Friends to attend  
for adjourn  
met  
no report  
of Breuben Deuel  
Joseph Howland's request

month 1763

Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Jonathan Clark Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Cleanness as to Marriage and Conversation, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucher and Joseph Smith to make Inquiry into the Above said particulars, and to draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Friends Appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and compile the Answers to the Queries have done it and the Epistle was signed in this Meeting and sent to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the tenth month 1763 Donagan set Meeting called Joseph Smith and Wm Sanford present, for Catechet Ichabod Edly and Josiah Deuel present,

The Friends Appointed to Enquire into Benj<sup>r</sup>: Tucher's Cleanness make Report that they dont find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage; Benj<sup>r</sup>: Tucher and Surriah Ricketson did appear for their Answer, and their Answer was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the Good order Established amongst us in the performance thereof, and Caleb Drupell and Joseph Gifford are Appointed to see their Marriage Confirmed in said order and make Report thereof to the next Monthly Meeting.

Jonathan Clark  
for Isaac Sanford  
for Friends to attend  
for adjourn  
met  
no report  
of Breuben Deuel  
Joseph Howland's request



The Matter Concerning Joshua Bartner is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, by the Request of his Brother Abraham Bartner

The Matter Concerning David Sherby is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Matre Report that they have attended Accordingly and have produced an Epistle from the Same which was read in this Meeting and well accepted

The Friends Appointed to Discourse with Joseph Howland Matre A Satisfactory Report therefor this Meeting doth Accept of him to be one under our Care

This Meeting signed a Certificate for Jonathan Clark to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Character as to Marriage and Conversation

This Meeting doth Appoint Jonathan Mufsey, Wm Anthy jr David Smith, Wm Bartner Joseph Smith and Benj Howland as Overseers to have an Inspection over the lefts and other seats to see that the people Behave orderly at our yearly Meeting, And Joshua Isaac Daniel Wood Ichabod Ddy and Benj Tripp are Appointed for the same purpose at Coahset Meeting

This Meeting understand that Elisha Bowen desires to Come into Unity with friends. Again therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Abraham Tucker and Delog Smith to discourse with him and Matre Report to the next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 23 day of the 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1763, Penanguet Meeting called Joseph Tuckers present for Coahset Joseph Tripp and Israel Wood present The friends Appointed to see Benj Tuckers Marriage Consumate, Matre Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order

This Meeting hath signed a paper of Denial Against Joshua Bartner for his outgoings, and Jonathan Mufsey is Appointed to read it or get some friend to read it between this and the next Monthly Meeting at the end of a first day Meeting for worship

The Matter Concerning David Sherby is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The Major part of the friends that was Appointed Overseers at our yearly Meeting Matre Report that they think they have discharged their duty in that Respect and they hope there is a Service in it

The Matter Concerning Elisha Bowen is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, and the same friends are still Continued in the same Service

The Women friends Inform that they have Received a Removal Certificate for Anne Prupell which they have Accepted and she to be under their Care which this Meeting concurs with whereas this Meeting is destitute of a Book to Record the Minutes of this Meeting in, therefore this Meeting doth Employ Caleb Prupell to Purchase one and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Whereas there was a Complaint brought Against Preuben Deuil some months past and he hath not been Sufficiently

10 p. 30th 1763 Joshua Bartner referred

David Sherby referred

Record from Quarterly Meeting

Joseph Howland accepted

Certificate for Jonathan Clark

overseers for yearly meeting

overseers for quarterly meeting

Elisha Bowen Request to be joined

referred to the next Monthly Meeting

part of the Friends

Matre Report

referred to the next Monthly Meeting

part of the Friends

of the Friends

referred to the next Monthly Meeting

at the Request of the Friends

referred to the next Monthly Meeting



11 month  
1763  
Laboured with, therefore Christopher Gifford and  
Ichabod Eddy are Appointed to Labour with him if  
they have an opportunity and make Report to the next  
Monthly Meeting

Meeting  
granted in  
Allen's neck  
The friends in Allen's neck Requests the liberty to  
hold a Meeting there some part of this winter therefore  
this Meeting Grants them the liberty to hold a Meeting  
for the three winter Months on first days Except the last  
first day preceding each Monthly Meeting in each Month  
This Meeting hath collected £4-10-8 old Tenor

Com to  
visit the  
ministry  
This Meeting doth Appoint Peleg Smith, Humphry Smith  
Joseph Tucker, Philip Tripp and Samuel Smith a Com-  
mittee to Inspect into the Monthly Meeting Minutes  
that are put on Record and Correct them where they  
shall find it necessary, and also to form a new minute  
or an Addition to the former Concerning Abigail Sherby

Emerging  
Abig Sherby  
Complaint  
against Ben  
Shearman  
There hath been a Complaint brought against Benj<sup>am</sup>  
Shearman for his outgoing in Marrying out of the Unity  
of friends, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint David  
Smith and Jonathan Hussey to treat with him and  
make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

12<sup>th</sup> Mo  
1763

At a Monthly Meeting held at our Meeting  
House in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1763  
Donagan's Meeting Called Peleg Smith and Caleb  
Rusell present for Coahsel Philip Tripp and James  
Cornel present

Joshua  
Barbers  
paper not  
read

The Reading Joshua Barbers paper hath been omitted  
last month therefore Isaac Smith is Appointed to Pre-  
side some convenient time between this and the next  
Monthly Meeting

month  
1763  
Caleb Rusell has purchased a Book according to the  
Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and the price  
is two Dollars

Women  
received  
The women friends Inform that they have Concluded to  
accept of Cloe Bowen to be under their Care which  
which this Meeting Concur with  
Whereas Peuben Devil hath been one under our Care, and  
he hath Declined attending Meetings for worship and  
Discipline, for which he hath been sufficiently Labour  
with and declines to make Satisfaction, therefore this  
Meeting doth Conclude to Deny him from being under  
our Care

Whereas David Sherby hath Married out of the Unity of  
friends for which he hath been sufficiently Labour  
with and declines to make Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting  
doth Deny him from being under our Care  
The Matter Concerning Elisha Bowen is Proposed to the  
next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to treat with Benj<sup>am</sup> Shearman  
Signify they have not done it therefore they are still  
Continued in the same Service and to make Report to  
the next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting doth Appoint David Smith to purchase a  
Quire of paper and an Ink pot and a Lock to Lock the  
drawer to put them in for the use of this Meeting  
This Meeting has collected £7-5-8 old tenor, and the  
Treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey three Dollars  
for keeping the Meeting House half a year which he  
has accordingly paid

has to pay  
no Hussey



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1763  
Com to  
Revise the  
minutes

This Meeting doth Appoint Deleq Smith, Humphrey Smith, & pro  
Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker and Samuel Smith 1764  
a Committee to peruse the Monthly Meeting Minutes to  
see what part they shall think proper to be put on  
Record, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Catsket  
meeting  
House to  
be enlarged

Catsket preparative Meeting signify to this Meeting that  
they think it will be convenient to make some addition <sup>once before</sup>  
to their little Meeting House, and also to build a Chimney <sup>part of</sup>  
Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Paul Ruspell Barne  
Moses and Joseph Smith to Consider how big to build  
and also to Compute the Cost as near as they can and what  
to build at all or not, and to Make Report to the next  
Monthly Meeting

Queries  
answers

The Queries have been read, and Answers made by  
both preparative Meetings

Respectable  
in Quarter  
by meeting

Philip Tripp, Humphrey Smith and Wm Anthony jr  
are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and  
to Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle  
to the same and bring them to the Adjournment

adjourn

And this Meeting is Adjourned to the first Sixth day in  
next Month

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This Meeting being met according to adjournment  
The Representative, being called, for Ponaganset Meeting  
Caleb Ruspell present, for Catsket none present

answer to  
Queries  
made

The friends Appointed to Compile the Answers to the  
Queries and to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting  
have done it according to Appointment, and this  
Meeting hath signed and sent the Epistle by the  
Representative,

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth  
on the 16: of the first Month 1764, Ponaganset  
Meeting called Caleb Ruspell and Daniel Ruspell  
present, for Catsket Joshua Scoll and Israel Wood  
present,

Francis Coffin and Anne Husey Declared their Intentions  
of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next  
Monthly Meeting for their Answer  
Joshua Barbers Paper of Denial hath been read according  
to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting

And is as followeth (viz)

Whereas Joshua Barber Son of James Barber Deceased  
and Elizabeth his wife, he the Said Joshua Barber  
having been one under our Care and had his Education  
among friends, yet he through unwatchfulness Gave  
way in three Respects, firstly, in too frequently being  
in Company with Catharine Ruspell that brought a  
Scandalous Report on the Society, Secondly in declining  
to pay the Constable his Tax, Thirdly, in Refusing to  
Comply with a Verdict brought Against him for burning  
Some Prails belonging to Henry Tucker, and he hath  
been Labourd with in Love from time to time for his  
Mish Conduct hoping he May Make friends Satisfaction  
but he still Remains Obstinate, therefore for the  
Clearing of truth we can do no less than Give this  
forth as a Publick Testimony Against him the Said  
Joshua Barber, Denying him to be one in Unity with us  
the people called Quakers, yet we do sincerely desire  
that he May Come to a Right and Sense of his <sup>and</sup>

Barbers  
Denial



And through unfeigned Repentance find Mercy  
Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dart-  
mouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1763, And signed in  
and by order of said Meeting by Job Russell Clerk,

The matter concerning Elisha Bowen is referred to the  
next Monthly Meeting,

Benjamin Bony, Shearman, jr<sup>th</sup> hath sent a paper to this Meeting  
condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends  
which hath been taken notice of, and do refer the  
matter to the next Monthly Meeting for further Consideration

The Committee appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting  
Minutes, signify they have not done it, therefore they  
are continued in the same service and to make Report  
to the next Monthly Meeting

The Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed to Consider about Enlarging  
the Meeting House at Coakset and also to Compute the  
Cost, Make Report that they think it will be proper  
to build a side fluff with the old part and also to  
Build a Chimney, and they have Computed the Cost as near  
as they can which is thirty three Dollars, therefore  
this Meeting Grants Liberty that Coakset friends Go  
on and Build as above said

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting  
make Report that two of them attended the other  
sent a sufficient Excuse, and they have produced  
an Epistle from the same which hath been read in  
this Meeting and well Accepted

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Elisha Bowen  
Cable refers

Benjamin Bony  
Shearman jr  
paper

minutes  
not read

Report on  
a cost of  
meeting  
house

Report  
from Quar-  
terly meet-  
ing

The women friends Inform that they have Deny'd  
Mary Wilkeson and Pruhamah Wilbour for their  
Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting  
with, and do deny the same from under our Care

Prince Allen Requests to Come under friends Care with  
his Children, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Daniel  
Russell and Phillip Allen and Humphry Smith to Confer  
with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends at New-Swanzy desire the Liberty, to hold a  
Meeting among them as often as friends shall think proper  
therefore this Meeting doth Grant them the Liberty, to  
hold a Meeting two days in a Month for two months, one  
on the first first day in the Month, the other on the third  
first day of the Month;

The Visitors Inform that Timothy Shearman jr<sup>th</sup> hath  
set up a Publishment, by which we conclude he intends to  
Marry out of the Good order of friends, and he hath been  
Labour'd with and declines to Retract his Intentions  
therefore Joseph Gifford and Wm Washner are Appointed  
to tell him if he shall Continue in his proceedings that he  
may Expect to be denied and they to Labour with him  
as they shall find freedom

Proposals of Printing George Foxes Journals in London  
by way of Subscription hath been Presented to this Meeting  
which is referred to the next Monthly Meeting for  
further notice

This Meeting hath Collected and Paid Caleb Russell  
two Dollars for the Book for Records;

Will be for  
and Dr.  
Wilbour  
found

Allen  
requests  
to Come  
under  
care  
with his  
children

Meetings  
located at  
New-Swanzy

Timothy Shearman  
jr  
has set  
up the  
publishment

Meeting  
George Foxes  
journals

Caleb Russell  
paid for the  
book for records



2<sup>d</sup> mo:  
1764

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1764, Donaganset Meeting Called W<sup>m</sup> Bond and David Smith present, for Coahset Joseph Tripp and Peter Deuil present;

Francis Coffin's Certificate

Francis Coffin hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, Certifying him to be of an Orderly life and Conversation and Clear from any Entanglement relating Marriage which this Meeting Accepts

Francis Coffin's answer

Francis Coffin and Ann Hufey did appear for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the Good order Eftably among us in the Performance thereof and Caleb Ruffell and David Smith are appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in said order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

P. Bowen's Receipt

This Meeting doth accept of Uluu Bowen to be under our care This Meeting doth accept of Jacob Motts paper Condemning his outgoing, in taking too much Spirituous Liquor, hoping he may conduct better for time to come

Prince Allen's request

The Matter Concerning Prince Allens Request to come and friends care with his Children is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting, and the same friends are still Continued in that Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Timothy Shearman's case referred

The Matter Concerning Timothy Shearman jun<sup>r</sup> is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Women friends Inform that they have Accepted of Rebecca Cornel to be under their care which this Meeting Consents with

Pratt's Meeting

This Meeting Grants the friends in Allens Neck Liberty to hold a meeting there one month longer as heretofore

John Potter's overseer of the poor

This Meeting doth Appoint John Potter overseer of the poor Nicholas Howland in lieu of Paul Ruffell and they to make Report once a Quarter

The Matter Concerning Benjamin Shearman jun<sup>r</sup> is Preferred to the Next Monthly Meeting;

At a monthly Meeting hld in Dartmouth on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>d</sup> month 1764, Donaganset Meeting Called David Smith and William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> present, for Coahset Peter Deuil and Philip Tripp present

Joseph Howland & Bershebe Shearman and Daniel Smith and Rebecca Cornel declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Benjamin Howland jun<sup>r</sup> and John Potter are appointed to Make Inquiry into the young mens Cleanness as to Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to see Francis Coffin and Ann Hufey's Marriage Consummated Make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order

The Matter Concerning Prince Allens Request to come under friends care with his Children is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting and the same friends that were appointed to discourse with them two months ago are still Continued in the same Service & to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

J. Shearman's own

Whereas Timothy Shearman jun<sup>r</sup> hath Married out of the care of friends, and he hath been Sufficiently Labourd with, and he Prefusing to adhere to friends Cautions and Labour of love therefore this Meeting doth deny him the said Timothy Shearman to be one in Unity with us and from under our care

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>r</sup> Shearman jun<sup>r</sup> is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Women friend Inform that they have Concluded to accept of



of Jones Soule to be under the care of friends which this Meeting  
 Concurs With; This Meeting Appoints Ichabod Eddy and Joseph  
 Tripp are to Carry on the Rebuilding of Coahset Meeting House  
 This Meeting Appoints the Elders of Ponaganset and Coahset  
 a Committee to Collect an Account of the deaths of Public  
 friends that have happened for some time past and  
 bring them to the Adjournment  
 Coahset friend, friend Preparative Meeting Inform that  
 Benja Tripp hath gone contrary to friends orders in Oppos  
 the Constable in Distraing for a Tax and he hath been Labo  
 with by the Visitors and has not made Satisfaction thereof  
 this Meeting doth Appoint Deleg Smith Humphry Smith and  
 William Anthony ju. a Committee to Labour further with  
 and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 The Queries have been Read and Answers prepared from both  
 preparative Meetings, and Read in this Meeting,  
 Joseph Tucher Deleg Smith Philip Tripp Samuel Smith  
 and Peter Soule are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly  
 Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw  
 an Epistle to the same Adjournment  
 Benjamin Soule hath Married out of the order of friends  
 and hath also had a Child soon after Marriage and has  
 been Labour'd with and Declines to make Satisfaction  
 Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Christopher Gifford  
 Ichabod Eddy to labour further with him and make Report  
 to the next Monthly Meeting, This Meeting hath Colld  
 £3-11-8 old tenor and the Treasurer is order'd to pay  
 Hathaway 10 Shilling Lawfull money for mending Glass  
 the Meeting House; This Meeting Adjourns to the Sixth day  
 of next Month

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 1764  
 Building  
 Coahset  
 meeting house  
 To collect  
 account of  
 Public  
 friends  
 deceased

Complain  
 against  
 Benja Tripp

Queries  
 Answers

Representa  
 tives

Complain  
 against  
 Benja Soule

order to pay  
 Antipas  
 Hathaway  
 adjourn

This Meeting being met According to Adjournment  
 the Sixth day of the 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1764 the Representatives  
 all present, This Meeting hath Signed and Sent an Epistle  
 to the Quarterly Meeting and also hath Sent the Answers  
 to the Queries by the Representatives  
 The Elders brought the Account of the deaths of Public  
 friends to this Meeting  
 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth Co. on the 16<sup>th</sup>  
 of the 1<sup>th</sup> mo: 1764 Ponaganset Meeting Called Enlabrasell  
 and William Anthony ju. present, for Coahset Deleg Mid-  
 dlestone present.  
 The friends Appointed to Enquire into Joseph Howland, and  
 Daniel Smith, Concerning as to Marriage and Conversation  
 Make Report that they do not find anything to hinder  
 their Proceeding in Marriage;  
 Joseph Howland and Barshabe Shearman Daniel Smith and  
 Rebecca Cornel did Appear for their Answer and their  
 Answer was that they might Proceed to take each other  
 in Marriage in some convenient time, between this  
 and the next Monthly Meeting observing the Good order  
 used amongst us and John Potter and Benja<sup>r</sup> Howland ju.  
 are Appointed to see Joseph Howland, and Barshabe Shearman  
 Marriage Consumated in S. order and Make Report to the  
 next Monthly Meeting, And William Anthony ju.  
 and Samuel Smith are Appointed for the same Service  
 at the Marriage of Daniel Smith and Rebecca Cornel and  
 they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 This Meeting doth Accept of Prine Allen and his Children  
 to be under our Care for time to Come  
 the Matter Concerning Benja<sup>r</sup> Shearman ju. is Referred to  
 the next Monthly Meeting

1<sup>th</sup> month  
 1764

Joseph Howland  
 Daniel Smith  
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Prine Allen  
 Children  
 Received

Benja<sup>r</sup> Shearman  
 referred



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1764

Benj Tripp  
Lay  
ded

The Committee Appointed to Labour with Benj<sup>a</sup> Tripp  
Make Report that he ought to Condemn his Opposing the  
Officers in the manner he did and he cannot find freedom to  
Comply with their Judgment at present Therefore the Matter  
is Suspended

Report from  
Quarterly  
meeting

The friends Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting Make  
Report that they all attended it and have produced an Epistle from  
the same which was Read in this Meeting and well Accepted

Benj Deuel  
refer

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>a</sup> Deuel is Preferred to the next Monthly  
Meeting and the same friends are still Continued in the same Sense  
and they to draw up a paper of Denial Against him if they think  
Necessary and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;  
The Treasurer has paid Antipas Hathaway Ten Shillings

Antip Hathaway  
paid

for mending Glass;

W<sup>m</sup> Sanford  
& David  
Smiths account

William Sanford and David Smith has Brought in an  
account to this Meeting for Repairing the Stables Belonging  
to this Meeting and the lock the drawer and one Quire of Paper  
and one Ink Stand; All £27-16-6 Old tenor which this  
Meeting accepts

Philip Trapp  
request for  
his children  
accepted

Philip Trapp Requests that his Children that he had by  
his first wife be taken under friends Care which this Meeting  
Grants and accepts them to be under our Care for the time to come

Connel  
Pres

The women friends Inform that they have Accepted of Lydia  
Connel to be under their Care which this Meeting concurs with

5 mo:  
1764

Report of  
S<sup>r</sup> Howland  
marriage

Report of  
Dan Smiths  
marriage

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of  
5<sup>th</sup> month 1764 Ponaganset Meeting called Joseph Smith and  
Samuel Smith present for Coahset Daniel Wood present  
John Potter and Benjamin Howland jr: Make Report that he  
attended the Marriage of Joseph Howland and Barshabe Shee  
and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in Good order  
William Anthony jr and Samuel Smith Report that he  
attended the Marriage of Daniel Smith and Rebecca Connel  
and saw nothing but it was likewise Accomplished in  
Good Order

month  
1764  
of Benj  
armans  
of

The Matter Concerning Benjamin Shearman jr is Preferred  
to the next Monthly Meeting and Deley Smith and William  
Anthony jr are Appointed to discourse with him Concerning his  
not attending Meetings and Make Report to the next  
Monthly Meeting, The Matter Concerning Benjamin Deuil is  
Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting

take sub-  
scriptions for  
us for  
the

Samuel Smith is Appointed to take the Subscriptions for  
George Foxs Journals and Endeavour to Collect the Money  
and send it up to the yearly Meeting;

W<sup>m</sup> Simpson  
Pres  
J<sup>s</sup> Shear-  
manden

The Women friends Inform that they have Accepted of Naomy  
Sipson to be under their Care and that they have denied  
Lydia Shearman from being one under their Care both which  
this Meeting concurs with;

Complaint  
against  
Wilcox

There hath been a Report brought to this Meeting that Stephen  
Wilcox hath so Conducted in time past that he hath very  
much fallen short of discharging many of his debts which  
hath been due, which seems to be of an tendency to bring  
a Reproach on friends therefore Peter Deuil Philip Tripp  
Deley Huddleston Joseph Gifford and Joseph Tucker are  
Appointed a Committee of Enquiry and to discourse with him  
and Make Report to the Adjournment of this Meeting

This Meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> of this Month

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup>  
of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1764 the Representatives being called for  
Ponaganset Samuel Smith present, for Coahset none present

of Stephen  
Wilcox refer

The Committee Make Report that Stephen Wilcox desires that  
friends would wait untill the next Monthly Meeting therefore  
the Matter is Preferred to the next Meeting;

of Benj  
Howland

Lufana Russell has Exhibited a Complaint against Job How-  
land for Profaning to Leave a Controversy Subsisting Between them  
to Arbitration, therefore Barnabas Mosher and Luke Mart are  
Appointed a Committee of Enquiry and they to advise Job Howland  
to Leave it to Men if they think Necessary and Make  
Report to the next Monthly Meeting;



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1764

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Cap. Inquest  
- ded

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Officers in the manner he did and he cannot find freedom to  
Comply with their Judgment at present Therefore the Matter  
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Quarterly  
meeting

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Report that they attended it and have produced an Epistle from  
The same which was Read in this Meeting and well Accepted

Benj Deuil  
report

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>a</sup> Deuil is Preferred to the next Monthly  
Meeting and the same friends are still Continued in the same Service  
and they to draw up a paper of Denial Against him if they think  
Necessary and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

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request for  
his Children  
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his first wife be taken under friends Care which this Meeting  
Grants and accepts them to be under our Care for the time to Come

Cornel  
Recd

The women friend Inform that they have Accepted of Lydia  
Cornel to be under their Care which this Meeting Concur with

5 mo:  
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Good Order

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Report of  
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and Make Report to the Adjournment of this Meeting

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Report of  
Stephen  
Wilcox jr

Complaint  
against  
Howland

Lufana Russell has Exhibited a Complaint against Job How-  
land for profusing to Leave a Controversy Substing Between them  
to Arbitration, therefore Barnabas Mosher and Luke Hart are  
Appointed a Committee of Enquiry and they to advise Job Howland  
to Leave it to Men if they think Necessary and Make  
Report to the next Monthly Meeting;



6 mo: 1764

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1764 Donaganset Meeting Called Peleg Smith and Joseph Smith present for Coahset for Coahset Joshua Scull present Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smith did lay their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer

Jonathan Hathaway and Joseph Smith spoken of marriage

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The Matter concerning Benjamin Shearman just is referred to the next Monthly Meeting, as is likewise that of Benjamin Scull

Samuel Smith has answered the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and Collected Money Enough for twelve of Foxes Journals

It is the advice of this Meeting that if Stephen Wilcox cannot discharge his debts no otherwise he ought to deliver up his Estate to his Creditors and Notify them all as soon as may be and the same Committee is still continued to Notify him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and Assist him in Advice and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Our Esteemed friend Henry Stanton has Visited this Meeting with a Certificate from Carterets County in North Carolina dated the 18<sup>th</sup> of May<sup>th</sup> mo. 1764 which being Read was kindly accepted

Peleg Smith Humphrey Smith Philip Tripp are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and draw an Epistle to the same and bring it to the adjournment;

The Appointed to Inquire into the Controversy between Jos Howland and Susanna Russell make Report that they think it Necessary to Leave it to men and that they advised them to do it which refused therefore Joseph Smith and Joseph Gifford are Appointed to attend Labour funder funder with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sabbath in next month

This Meeting has Collected 1-4-11 old tenens and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Musier these Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year  
This Meeting adjourns to the first Sabbath day in next month

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1764 the Proprepresentatives being Called for Donaganset Peleg Smith and Joseph Smith present for Coahset none present  
The Queries have been Read and Answers prepared from both preparative Meetings and Peleg Smith Humphrey Smith and Wm Anthony just are Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and Deliver them to the Proprepresentatives

This Meeting has Signed and ordered to be sent an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Proprepresentatives  
The Women friends Inform that they have Concluded to deny Pruth Eddy therefore David Smith is Appointed to draw a paper of Denial Against her and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1764 Donaganset Meeting Called David Smith and Saml Smith present for Coahset Joseph Tripp and Jehabod Eddy present  
Stephen Hathaway produced a Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting certifying his Cleanness as to Marriage and Conversation in a degree Clear

Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smith did Appear for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting observing the Good order established amongst us in the performance thereof and William Anthony and Daniel Russell are Appointed to see their Marriage Confirmed in sd order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Jemima Noxie has Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich dated the 29 of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo: 1764 Informing of her being of an orderly life and Conversation and under their care and that she has Settled her outward Affairs which this Meeting accepts and she to be under our care



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1764

Mary Tucher hath Produced a Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting held the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 6 mo. 1764 which Informs her being in a Good degree of an orderly life and Conversation which this Meeting Accepts and She to be under our Care for the time to Come

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>r</sup>. Shearman ju. is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

Joseph Taber ju. has produced a paper to this Meeting Condemning his falling into the Sin of fornication which this Meeting Appoints Caleb Prusell to see that it be Read at the end of a first day Meeting for worship at Quisnuct and he to be present and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, and when said paper be Read as above said this Meeting Concludes to Accept of it for Satisfaction;

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>r</sup>. Deval is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Committee Appointed to have the Care of Stephen Wilcox's Affair Make Report that he did not fully Comply with the Conclusion of last Monthly Meeting therefore the Same Committee are still Continued to Repeat the same Advice to him and also to Inform him that this Meeting desires him immediately to Comply with the Above said Advice, and if he dont he Must Expect to be dealt with as an offender.

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting being Called upon Make Report that they did all attend it and have produced an Epistle from the Same which was Read to Good Satisfaction

This Meeting Received two Epistles from London one written the other Printed which was Read to Good Satisfaction, and as they Contain Many wholesome Exhortations and Advices, they are Recommended to friends, Observation;

This Meeting likewise Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting at Philadelphia dated the 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 1763 and one from our last yearly Meeting held at Newport on Rhode Island This adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> day of this Instant

This Meeting being Met according to Adjournment the Representatives being Called for Donaganset Meeting David Smith and Samuel Smith present for Coahset none present

This Meeting has Signed a paper of Denial Against Pruth Eddy for falling into the Sin of fornication which is Evident by her having a Child Soon After Marriage and Delez Huddleston is Appointed to Read it or Get Some body to Read it at the end of a first day Meeting of worship at Coahset Meeting house and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Committee Appointed last Monthly Meeting to Labour with Job Howland Make Report that he declines to leave the Controversy to Men therefore Jonathan Hussey Joseph Smith and W<sup>r</sup>. Anthony ju. are Appointed a Committee to have them face to face and to Labour to Reconcile them and if they Cant to advise them to leave their Controversy to Men and if they think proper and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> mo. 1764 Donaganset Meeting Called James Shearman and Caleb Prusell present for Coahset Peter Deuil present and the other friends that was Appointed at Coahset Sent an Excuse which this Meeting thinks Sufficient

The friends Appointed to see Stephen Hathaway and Abigail Smiths Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw Nothing but that it was Accomplish'd in Good Order this Meeting Accept of Benj<sup>r</sup>. Shearman ju. his paper for Satisfaction Condemning his Misconduct in Marriage and he to be under our Care for the time to Come

Caleb Prusell Makes Report that Joseph Taber ju.'s paper has been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting which is as followeth / viz Dartmouth the 22 of the first month 1764

Dear friends; Whereas I Joseph Taber ju. of Dartmouth have had my Education Among Friends in a sober Manner and am also fully persuaded and Confirmed in my mind of the Truth of the Doctrines and



Principles held forth by them have notwithstanding through  
 5 month  
 1764  
 unwatchfulness and not taking that heed which I ought to have  
 done to that Divine Principle of Light and Grace fallen into  
 the Sin of Fornication which is Evident by my Wives having  
 a Child soon after Marriage, also my being Married out of  
 the Unity of friends, all which I do hereby Condemn, and am  
 heartily Sorry for, and desire the Lord May forgive me, and  
 friends part by and let me remain Under their Care,  
 their Labour of Love with me I do Gratefully Acknowledge  
 and hope it May not prove Labour lost  
 from your friend Joseph Taber jun

The Matter Concerning Benjamin Deuil is Referred to next  
 Monthly Meeting and Christopher Gifford and Ichabod Eddy are  
 Appointed to have the Care of the Affair and Make Report to the  
 next Monthly Meeting;

Peleg Huddleston Makes Report that Ruth Eddy, paper of  
 Denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of last  
 Monthly Meeting; which is as follows,

Or Eddy  
 deposed  
 Whereas Ruth Eddy Daughter of William Gifford & and  
 Patience his Wife was Educated in the profession of us the people  
 Called Quakers in Dartmouth and did some times frequent our  
 Religious Meetings, but for want of a faithfull adherence to the  
 dictates of that Divine Principal which was sufficient to have  
 preserved her, hath been prevailed on to Give way to the tem-  
 ptation of the enemy so far as to be Guilty of the Sin of Fornication  
 as doth appear by her having a Child soon after Marriage  
 and notwithstanding she hath been duly admonished & advised  
 in order to bring her to a sight of her Misconduct, but she  
 still remaining Obstinate, We do therefore hereby depose  
 the said Ruth Eddy to be of our Society until she come to  
 witness that Godly Sorrow which worketh true Repentance  
 in which that the Lord May Mercifully Grant her in our sincere  
 desires Signed by order and in behalf of the Above sd people  
 in their Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth by Adjournment  
 the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1764 by

Job Prussell Clerk  
 Elizabeth Smith Cook  
 for this day

The Affair Concerning Stephen Wilcox is Referred to the next  
 Monthly Meeting;

The Committee Appointed to Inspect into the Controversy Subsisting  
 between Job Howland and Susanna Prussell Make Report that  
 it was their Advice that he ought to leave to men the Controversy  
 which he Professes to do therefore he is looked upon as an offender and  
 John Prussell & John Potter Wm Barker are Appointed to Inform  
 him of the Judgment of this Meeting, and to Labour with him as  
 they shall find freedom and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 It is the Conclusion of this Meeting that the Visitors do still Continue  
 in the same Service for one Month longer.

Elijah Prussell Desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of  
 Swansey signifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage and  
 Conversation, therefore Humphrey Smith and Benja<sup>d</sup> Howland  
 are Appointed to Inspect into his Conversation and draw one for him  
 if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>o</sup> Tripp hath Laid Several Months  
 and nothing done therefore Peleg Huddleston and John Maffee  
 are Appointed to treat with him on that Matter and Make  
 Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup>  
 1764  
 Month 1764 Donagan set Meeting called Joseph Smith and  
 Daniel Prussell present, for Cojset Christopher Gifford and  
 David Deuil present;

The Matter Concerning Benj<sup>o</sup> Deuil is Referred to the next Monthly  
 Meeting and Christopher Gifford is still Continued according to the  
 Appointment of last Monthly Meeting  
 the matter Concerning Stephen Wilcox is Referred to next Monthly  
 Meeting;

This Meeting has signed and sent a Certificate to the  
 Monthly Meeting of Nantucket Ann Coffin Certifying her being in a  
 good degree of an orderly life and Conversation and under our Care  
 the matter Concerning Job Howland is Referred to the next  
 Monthly Meeting

This Meeting has signed a Certificate for Elijah Prussell to the  
 Monthly Meeting of Swansey Certifying his Clearness from Any  
 Entang



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1764

Entanglement respecting Marriage and in a degree of an orderly Conversation

Joseph Mosher's request

Joseph Mosher and his wife Requests to Come under friends therefore Christopher Gifford and David Deuil are Appointed to take an Opportunity of Conference with him on that Account and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Benjamin Tripp accepted

Benjamin Tripp hath Appeared in this Meeting and Made friends Such Satisfaction as they have taken up with

request for Gyles Russell

Daniel Russell Requests a Removal Certificate for his Son Gyles to the Oblong, therefore Jonathan Hubey and David Smith are Appointed to draw one if they think proper and to make Inquiry into his life and Conversation and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Queries answered

The Queries have been read and answers prepared by the Donaganset preparative Meeting, Joseph Tucker and his Son Benjamen Tucker are Appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and bring it to the adjournment

Job Howland's case referred to next meeting

The Case of Job Howland is to be Sent up to the Quarterly Meeting for Advice

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next Month

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the Representatives being Called Daniel Russell Joseph Smith and David Deuil present,

Robert Willis's visit

Our Esteemed friend Robert Willis hath Visited this Meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Woodbridge in New-Jersey dated the 16<sup>th</sup> 5 mo. 17 64 which was Read and well accepted

Matter concerning Chusing Visitors and Overseers is referred to next Monthly Meeting

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Abraham Tucker, Philip Tripp appointed

Joseph Tucker, Abraham Tucker, Philip Tripp are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and present the Epistle and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Meeting signed and sent an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

This Meeting hath signed and sent an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

Quarterly Collection referred

The Quarterly Collection is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> mo  
1764

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1764, Donaganset Meeting Called Joseph Smith and Benjamin Howland ju<sup>r</sup> present, for Coatsset Ichabod Eddy and Israel Wood present,

Benj<sup>r</sup> Wing and Mary Potter

Benj<sup>r</sup> Wing and Mary Potter declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait til the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Peleg Huddleston and Joseph Tripp are Appointed to make Inquiry into Benj<sup>r</sup> Wing, (Concerning as to Marriage and Conversation and likewise to see if Mary Potters Estate be settled so that her Children be not hurt by her said Marriage and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The affair of Benj<sup>r</sup> Deval

The affair of Benj<sup>r</sup> Deval is referred to the next Monthly Meeting and Philip Allen and Adam Gifford are Appointed to have an Inspection over him and his Conduct and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Stephen Wilcox's case

Stephen Wilcox's Case is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Job Howland's case

The Case of Job Howland is referred to the next Monthly Meeting on the Account of Informing him of the Result of the Quarterly Meeting and Peleg Smith is Appointed to Inform him of said Result and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Gyles Russell

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Gyles Russell Certifying him to be in a degree of an orderly Conversation and under our Care directed to the Monthly Meeting of the Oblong and Humphry Smith Joseph Tucker William Barber are Appointed a Standing Committee pursuant to the direction of the late Book of Discipline in page 138

Jonathan Hubey, David Smith, Samuel Smith, Benjamin Howland ju<sup>r</sup>, William Mosher, Israel Wood, Joshua Connel

Jonathan Hubey, David Smith, Samuel Smith, Benjamin Howland ju<sup>r</sup>, William Mosher, Israel Wood, Joshua Connel David Deuil are Appointed to have the oversight of the people in the Galleries and other Seats at our next Annual Meeting both here at Coatsset and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting



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1764

Joseph  
Moshers  
Case

The friends Appointed to Confer with Joseph Moshers make Report that they have not both Confered with him by reason of Indisposition, therefore Jehobad Eddy and David Deuel are Appointed for the Same Service and they to Make Re-  
-port to the next Monthly Meeting;

11 month  
1764

William Hathaway Requests to Come under the Care of friends, therefore Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are Appointed a Committee to Confer with him on that account and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

11 month  
1764

The ~~W~~ Women friends Inform that they have Minuted Hannah Moshers wife to W<sup>m</sup> Moshers under their Care which this Meeting Concur with

11 mo:  
1764

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1764 Ponaganset Meeting Called Joseph Smith and William Anthony jr present for Coahset John Moshers and Joseph Tripp present,

Ben<sup>g</sup> Wing  
Clearing

The friends Appointed to Inspect into Benjamin Wing; Clear-  
-ness as to Marriage and Conversation Make Report that they have Made Inquiry and do not find any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage, and also that the Widows Estate is Settled according to friends orders;

B. Wing  
answer

Benjamin Wing and Mary Potter appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, observing the Good order Established amongst us in the performance thereof and Peleg Huddleston and Joseph Tripp are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in said order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

month  
1764

The Matter Concerning Benjamin Deuel is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting; and the Same Committee are Still Continued in the Same Service and to Return the paper to him and Inform him that there is a deficiency and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Women friends Inform that they have Minuted Mary Key by and Meribah Moshers under their Care which this Meeting Concur with  
The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting  
Whereas, there hath been a Complaint Exhibited Against Job Howland by Lufanna Prussell for Refusing to leave a Controversy Subsisting between them to Arbitration, and he hath been sufficiently Laboured with and he Appears Obstinate and Refuses friends Advice, therefore this Meeting for the Clearing of the Blessed truth doth deny the S<sup>d</sup> Job Howland from being one under our Care

This Meeting Adjourns till tomorrow at the tenth hour in the fore noon.

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> mo:  
1764  
The Representatives being Called for Ponaganset Meeting both present for Coahset Joseph Tripp present the other Repre-  
-sents has made an Excuse for his Absence which this Meeting Accepts

The friends Appointed to have the oversight of the people in the Galleries and other Seats at our Annual Meeting being Called upon Make Report that they Attended Agreeable to Appointment and that the people behaved in a Good degree orderly; The Committee Appointed to Confer with Joseph Moshers Make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction therefore this Meeting doth Accept and minute him under our Care

This Meeting Appoints Joshua Deuel and Israel Wood Overseers for Coahset, And also Appoints William Anthony jr and Job Prussell Overseers for Ponaganset, and also Appoints Luke Hart



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1764

Hart and Barziller Tucker Overseers for Newtown  
 This Meeting Appoints Abraham Tucker and Caleb  
 Prusell Visitors for Ponaganset, and Peter Deuel  
 and Philip Tripp Visitors for Coahset  
 W<sup>m</sup> The Committee Appointed to Confer with W<sup>m</sup> Hathaway  
 Hathaway make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction  
 Read therefore this Meeting Minutes him under our Care  
 Meetings This Meeting Grants the friends living in Allen neck  
 Granted Liberty to hold a Meeting down there at some friends House  
 three first days in a month for three winter Months and the  
 first Spring Month, Excepting the first day that precede  
 the monthly Meetings  
 Whereas Isaac Howland jr hath Married out of the Unity  
 of friends, and hath been in the Practice of the Slave  
 Trade, and hath never Condemned them to friends Satisfaction  
 which is Proposed to the next Monthly Meeting;  
 Nathaniel Soule jr Requests to Come under friends Care  
 Therefore Ichabod Eddy and Israel Wood are Appointed to  
 take an Opportunity of Conference with him, and make  
 Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 Joseph Mosher desires a Removal Certificate to Smithfield  
 Therefore Isaac Wood and Philip Tripp are Appointed to make  
 Enquiry into his Outward Affairs, and draw one for him  
 if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting  
 This Meeting Appoints Humphry Smith and William  
 Anthony jr to draw a Certificate for Matthew Franklin  
 and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

Complaint  
against  
Isaac  
Howland

Nath Soule  
Request

Joseph Mosher  
request a  
Certificate

To draw a  
Certificate  
for Matthew  
Franklin

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the  
 12<sup>th</sup> month 1764, Ponaganset Meeting Called David Smith and  
 W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr present, for Coahset, Philip Tripp and Israel  
 Wood present,  
 William Hathaway and Ruth Barber Declared their Intentions of  
 Marriage, and were desired to wait until the next monthly Meet-  
 ing for their Answer and Caleb Prusell and Joseph Smith are  
 Appointed to Make Enquiry into the young mans (Clearness as to  
 Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly  
 meeting; Whereas Benj<sup>d</sup> David hath fallen into the Sin of  
 fornication and he hath been Sufficiently dealt with and Professe to  
 make friends Satisfaction; therefore this Meeting thinks best for the  
 Clearing of the Blessed truth to disown him, and do Appoint Isaac  
 Smith to draw up a paper of denial Against him and bring it to the  
 next Monthly Meeting;  
 The friends Appointed to See Benj<sup>d</sup> Wing, and Mary Potters Marriage by  
 Confirmed Make Report that they attended the Marriage, and that  
 it was Confirmed in tolerable good order;  
 The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Proposed to the next Monthly Meeting; As is  
 the Case of the Matter Concerning Isaac Howland jr - And the Propose  
 natives to the Quarterly Meeting are Appointed to treat with Said Howland  
 on that account and Inform him that his Acknowledgment is too  
 short and wherein;  
 The friends Appointed to Confer with Nathaniel Soule jr Make  
 Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction; therefore this Meeting  
 doth Minute him under friends Care  
 This Meeting has Signed and Sent a Removal Certificate to the Monthly  
 Meeting of Smithfield for Joseph Mosher and family;  
 This Meeting has Signed and Sent a Certificate for Matthew Franklin to  
 Matthew Franklin, Flushing on Long Island;  
 The friends at New Swanzy Request Liberty to hold a Meeting, these  
 on first day, till the last of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1765 which this Meeting  
 Grants



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Grants Except the holding a Meeting on their first day, that precedes our Monthly Meeting day;

John Howland Requests to Come under friends Care, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Wm Bowditch and Joseph Gifford to Confer with him on that Art and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

John Smith & John Smith the 3. Requests a Certificate to the monthly Meeting of Sandwich Respecting his Cleaness as to Marriage and Conversation therefore Lushart and Barzillou Tupper are appointed to Inquire into the above Particulars and draw one for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting has Collected £ 7:17:2 of Teneer, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Jonathan Hussey three Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year; Wm Sanford and Jonathan Hussey are

appointed to make up Accounts with the Treasurer and make Report to the next monthly Meeting;

The Treasurer has paid Jonathan Hussey according to order.

The overseers of the Meeting House are still Continued for one year more Humphrey Smith, Samuel Smith, Wm Anthony, jr, Caleb Puseell, Philip Tripp are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the same and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting)

John Howland Requests an Appeal from the Judgment of this Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting which is Granted

This Meeting Adjourns to the 26 day of this Month

This Meeting being mett according to Adjournment this 26 day of the 12th month 1764, the Representatives being Called for Donaganset David Smith and Wm Anthony jr present, for Coahset None present;

This Meeting Appoints David Smiths (Clerk of this Meeting for this day)

John Howland's request

John Smith's request

order to pay

To settle with Treasurer

meeting house overseers

Friends for Quarterly meeting

John Howland appeals

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D. Smith Clerk this Meeting

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minutes answered  
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Wm Hathaway's report

Wm Hathaway's report of marriage

Benj Divil's account

Case of Stephen Wilcox referred

Case of Isaac Howland referred

John Howland referred

Certificate for John Smith

settled with Treasurer

Report from Quarterly meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting have drawn an Epistle and Compiled the Answers to the Queries which was brought to this Meeting, and the Epistle signed by the Clerk and ordered to be sent up by the Representatives;

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 21 of the first Month 1765, Donaganset meeting Called Joseph Smith and Caleb Puseell present, for Coahset John Mofher present The friends Appointed to make Enquiry into Wm Hathaway's Cleaness as to Marriage and Conversation make Report that they do not find Anything to hinder their Proceeding in Marriage

William Hathaway and Ruth Barker did appear for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next monthly Meeting Observing the Good Order established among us in the performance thereof and Caleb Puseell and Joseph Smith are appointed to see their Marriage Confirmed in R. order and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

This Meeting has signed a paper of denial Against Benj's Devil for the sin of Fornication but the reading of it is referred to the next monthly Meeting, and Philip Allen is appointed to Inform him of the Judgment of this Meeting and make Report to the next monthly meeting

The Case of Stephen Wilcox is referred to the next Monthly Meeting as is likewise the Case Concerning Isaac Howland jr and likewise the Case Concerning John Howland is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting has signed a Certificate for John Smith Joseph's Son to the monthly Meeting of Sandwich (Certifying his Cleaness as to Marriage and Conversation)

The friends Appointed to make up Accounts with the Treasurer make Report that they have answered their Appointment and there is due to this Meeting £ 4:10:0 of Teneer

and there is due to attend the Quarterly Meeting The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make Report that three of them attended Agreeable to appoint



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Appointment and one of the other made an Excuse which the Quarterly Meeting took up with and Caleb Prussell ~~was~~ has made an Excuse to this Meeting, and the said friends have produced an Epistle from the said Meeting which was read in this Meeting and well Accepted

Obediah Allen's offense

Obediah Allen has sent a paper to this Meeting Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication which was read in this Meeting and referred to the next Monthly Meeting for further Consideration

P. Snell denied

The Women friends Inform that they have denied Phebe Snell for Marrying Contrary to the Order of Friends which this Meeting concurs with

To Wages

Whereas Thomas Wing has Married Contrary to the Order of Friends, and also has Removed without a Certificate, and also Philip Savel has Removed without a Certificate and without friends Advice, Therefore Daniel Prussell is appointed to Labour with both of them for the aforesd offences in behalf of this Meeting when he goes to Oblong, and make Report to this Meeting as soon as he can

D Savel under dealing

2<sup>mo</sup>:  
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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> Month 1765 the Representatives for Doraganset are Joseph Smith and Caleb Prussell Present, for Coahset Philip Tripp and Israel Wood present;

Ezekiel Cornstocks proposal of marriage

Ezekiel Cornstock and Mary Prussell declared their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to <sup>wait</sup> till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer

Report of Wm Hatha and Ruth Bar here

The friends appointed to oversee the Marriage of Wm Hathaway and Ruth Bar here Report that they both attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished in good order

Benja Davel

There was a paper of denial signed Against Benja Davel at the last Monthly Meeting, and was referred to this Meeting to let him know the Conclusion of it, and Report being made that he still Profuses to Condemn his Outgoing, therefore Philip Tripp is appointed to Read it at Coahset Meeting after the Meeting of Worship on a first day between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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The Case of Stephen Wilcox and likewise that of Isaac Howland <sup>just</sup> are both referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The Case of John Howland is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the same Care as heretofore

Obediah Allens Preference is still Continued till next Monthly Meeting, and Peleg, Huddlestone and Job Case are appointed to discourse with the young man, and also with the young Woman that accused of him of the aforesd Crimes, and Endeavour to have them face to face and see if the young Woman be fully Satisfied and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

George Hards, Requests to Come under the Care of friends, therefore Joseph Smith and Wm Mosher are appointed to <sup>go</sup> confer with him on that account and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Whereas Daniel Smith (Jasas, sm) hath been of Accused of the Sin of Fornication for which offence he hath been disowned with by the overseers and declines to Condemn the same, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker and James Beerman to discourse further with him, and Inform him that it is the mind of this Meeting that if he do not Condem his offence nor Endeavour to make friends Satisfaction that they are appointed to draw a paper of denial Against him and to bring it to the next Monthly Meeting and Make Report to the said Meeting

Whereas Christopher Hocum hath been Accused of the Sin of Fornication and hath been laboured with by one of the overseers and the visitors and gave them no Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth appoint Daniel Cornell and Samuel Smith to Labour further with him and also Inform him that it is the mind of this Meeting that they should draw a paper of denial Against him if he dont Incline to Condemn his offence and make friends Satisfaction and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Humphry Smith and Wm Anthony just are appointed to draw a Certificate for our worthy friend Probert Willis, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting, Peleg Smith, Samuel Smith, Wm Anthony just, Job Prussell, Joseph Tucker are appointed to Peruse the Monthly Meeting Minutes to see what part they shall think proper to go on Record, and they also to inspect into the affair Relating to Abigail, For by and prepare a Minute for that purpose if they think proper and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting



3<sup>rd</sup> mo:  
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At a monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> Day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Month 1765 Donagan set Meeting Called John Dotter and Wm Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> present, for Catechet Joseph Frigg and Joshua Tavel present

Ezekiel Cornstock hath produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield, Certifying him to be in some good degree of an orderly life and Conversation and Clear from any Intanglement Respecting Marriage Among them, which this Meeting accepts

Ezekiel Cornstock and Mary Russell appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Adjoining with the overseers for that purpose and Deleg Smith and Wm Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Philip Frigg makes Report that Benja<sup>l</sup> Tavel Denial hath been read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows-

Whereas Benja<sup>l</sup> Tavel Son of Preuben Tavel and Mary his wife of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New-England, being one Under the Care of friends the People Called Quakers, yet for want of keeping to the Spirit of Truth hath given way to the Insinuations of the Evil one so as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as is Manifest by his Wives having a Child soon after Marriage, and all proper Endeavours in love having been Used to bring him to a sense of his outgoing, yet no sign of Repentence appearing we can do no less but to set him aside, Denying him the said Benja<sup>l</sup> Tavel to be one Under the Care of us the People Called Quakers, yet sincerely desiring that he may come to a sense of his Outgoings and find Mercy

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the first month 1765 And Signed in and by order of said meeting by - - - - - Job Russell Clerk

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The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting and likewise the Matter Concerning Isaac Howland jun<sup>r</sup> is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The Case Concerning Obediah Allen is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting Under the same Care as heretofore, and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting - - -

The Matter Concerning George Handy is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting - - -

The Case Concerning Daniel Smith is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting Under the same Care as heretofore - - -

The Matter Concerning Christopher Hocum is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting - - -

The friends Appointed to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes Make Report that they have Perused said Minutes and left them with Sarah Smith to be put on Record, and have prepared a minute Respecting Abigail Herby which is Approved by this Meeting, and ordered to be Recorded, and is as follows - - -

Whereas, Abigail Herby was some years past Under dealing as appears by our Records, but there being no mention made therein that she made friends Satisfaction, by reason as we apprehend of the Deficiency of the Records, there being the Minutes of several Monthly Meetings omitted, and it appearing now by living Evidence, that she did make friends Satisfaction by sending a paper into the Monthly Meeting which was Accepted, therefore this Minute is Made and Recorded for a Memorandum thereof - - -

Job Howland Requests a hearing at the next Quarterly Meeting and hath sent his Reasons of his not Prosecuting his Appeal at the last Quarterly Meeting which this Meeting Grants and the Reasons to be sent to the Afore-said Meeting

The Queries have been read in this Meeting and Answers prepared by both preparatives Meetings

Deleg Smith, Caleb Russell, Humphry Smith, Wm Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> Peter Tavel are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the same and bring them to the Adjournment



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admission  
met

This Meeting Adjourns to the first 6<sup>th</sup> day in next Month,  
This Meeting being met according to adjournment the 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of the 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1765, the Representatives being called, for Donagan  
both present, for Coahset Joseph Tripp present

Care of  
John Howland  
and refer

The Case of John Howland is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting  
and Wm Sanford and Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to take an  
Opportunity of Conference with him on account of his desire of  
being taken Under friends Care and make Report to the next  
Monthly Meeting

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The women friends, Inform that they have accepted of Elizabeth Cornd  
accepted to be Under the Care of friends which this Meeting concurs with  
and they also Inform that they have so far accepted Catherine

Catherine  
Rusfells

Rusfells paper Condemning her outgoings, in Keeping Company  
Accepted with Joshua Brasher, with the Provisional that she read said Paper  
or get some friend to read it at the End of a Meeting for Worship  
the being present at Donaganset Meeting House between this  
and the next Monthly Meeting which this Meeting concurs with,

Accomplish  
settled  
with D  
Rusfells

This Meeting Appoints, Jonathan Hussey, David Samuel Smith  
to settle Accomplish with Daniel Rusfells and make Report to  
the next Monthly Meeting

Epistle &  
answers  
to Queries

The friends, Appointed to draw an Epistle and Compile the Answers  
to the Queries have Answered their Appointment, and the Epistle  
has been read and signed in this Meeting by the Clerk and sent  
with the Answers to the Queries to the next Monthly Meeting by the  
Representatives.

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup>  
Month 1765 Donaganset Meeting called David Smith and Jonathan  
Hussey present, for Coahset Deleg Huddlestone present

Report of  
Ezekiel  
Comstock  
marriage

The friends Appointed to see Ezekiel Comstock and Mary Rusfells  
Marriage Consumated make Report that they attended the Mar-  
riage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in Good order

Friends  
advise to  
Stephen  
Wilcox

Deleg Smith, Deleg Huddlestone and Wm Anthony jun are Appoin-  
ed a Committee to advise with Stephen Wilcox in behalf of this mee-  
ting on the account of his debt, he now labours Under and they  
to advise him to deliver all his Estate up to his Creditors if he  
cant answer them some other way before the next Monthly  
meeting

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The Case of Isaac Howland jun is Preferred to the next Monthly

Meeting

The friends, Appointed to discourse with Obediah Allen make Report  
that they have Answered the Appointment and they dont find things  
Quite Clear, therefore the Matter is Preferred Under their Care and they to  
make Report to this Meeting when they shall have opportunity to  
treat further With him

Howland

The Case of George Hardy is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting

Smith

The Case of Daniel Smith is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting by the  
Request of James Shearman

Howland

The Case of Christopher Scum is Preferred to the next Monthly Meet-  
ing Under the Care of Humphry Scum

Howland

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make Report  
that they all Attended Agreeable to Appointment and have pronounced  
an Epistle from the same which was read in this Meeting & well Accepted

Howland

The friends, Appointed to discourse with John Howland make Report that  
he gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting accepts him  
to be Under friends Care

Howland

The friends, Appointed to make up Accounts With Daniel Rusfells  
make Report that they have Made up accounts and there Remains  
due £4 11-9 old tenor which he is to take in Wood

Howland

Deleg Scum juner Requests to Come Under friends Care and has Given  
Request in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his former outgoings which is  
Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting and Benj<sup>d</sup> Howland and Sam<sup>d</sup>  
Smith are Appointed to discourse with him on that account, and to  
see if he has Made Satisfaction to the Young Woman that Accused him  
and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Howland

Whereas Tho<sup>s</sup> Wilcox hath Gone Contrary to friends Orders in times  
past in Inlisting into the Kings Service and took up Arms for which  
he hath Given in a paper Condemning his afore said offences which this  
Meeting accepts for Satisfaction, and he to Remain Under friends Care

Howland

The women friends, Inform that they have Accepted patience Soule to be  
Under friends Care and also that they have denied Charity Soule from the  
order friends Care both which this Meeting concurs with

Howland

This Meeting has Collected Three Dollars

Howland



5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1765

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1765, Donagan set Meeting called David Smith and Samuel Smith present, for Caleb set John Mosher and Deleg Huddlestone present.

Cape of Stephen Wilcox referred

The Committee appointed to treat with Stephen Wilcox make Report that he desires longer time to try to discharge his Debts in some other way, therefore the Matter is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting

Space Howland to be inform

Whereas Isaac Howland just hath been in the Practice of the Slave trade and likewise Married out of the Unity of friends and he hath been sufficiently Labourd with and Neglects to Make Satisfaction, therefore Wm Anthony just is Appointed to Inform him that this Meeting hath come to a Conclusion to deny him if he do not Endeavour to Make friends Satisfaction at the next monthly Meeting

Caleb set George Hardy referred

The Case of George Hardy is Preferred under the same Care as heet before This Meeting hath signed a paper of denial Against Daniel Smith for the Sin of Fornication and Wm Anthony just is Appointed to Read at the End of a meeting for worship Between this and the next Monthly Meeting and make Report to some Meeting

San Smith discount

The Women friends Inform that Susanna Clark hath Produced a Certificate Removal Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting which they accepted, and this Meeting concurs therewith

Christopher Hocum this order

This Meeting hath signed a Paper of Denial Against Christopher Hocum for the Sin of Fornication and Job Drupell is Appointed to Read it at the End of a first day meeting of worship between this and the next monthly Meeting and he to make Report to said Meeting

Cape of Deleg Hocum referred

The Committee appointed to treat with Deleg Hocum just make Report that he hath Made the young woman Satisfaction that accused him of the Sin of Fornication, and also that he Gave them Good Satisfaction; which is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting

Eben Allen request to come under there friends care

Eben Allen (James son) Requests to Come under friends Care and Deleg Smith and Samuel Smith are Appointed to take an opportunity of Conference with him on that account and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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Stephen Drupell Requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich therefore Caleb Drupell and Wm Sanford are Appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and draw one for him if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting Weston Briggs and his Wife Requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, Therefore James Shearman and Paul Drupell are Appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and the Circumstance of his outward Affairs, and they to Joyn with the Women friends, to draw a Certificate for them if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1765

At a Monthly Meeting met the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1765 Donagan set Called James Shearman and Paul Drupell present, for Caleb set Benj<sup>n</sup> Tripp and David Davil present whereas this Meeting happening while the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island is in being, therefore this Meeting thinks Proper to Adjourn and do Adjourn to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant at the usual hour of the day on other Monthly Meetings

Adjourn

This Meeting being Mett according to Adjournment this 24<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1765, The Representatives being Called and all present; — The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting Under the Care of Joseph Tucker, Joseph Gifford and Humphry Hocum and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Howland gave a paper

Isaac Howland just hath Given in a paper Signifying his Sorrow for his outgoing in Using the Slave Trade and in Marrying out of the Unity of friends, which is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting

George Hardy received

The Reports brought in Concerning George Hardy being to Satisfaction therefore this Meeting accepts the said George Hardy to be in Membership and Under friends Care

Wm Anthony just Makes Report that Daniel Smiths paper of Denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting. Which paper is as follows



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D. Smith  
denial

Whereas Daniel Smith son of Isaac Smith and Mary his wife hath had his Education among friends the People Called Quakers, Nevertheless not keeping to that unerring Guide the Spirit of Truth, hath fallen into that scandalous Sin of Fornication as he hath been Accused, and not Clearing himself, nor writing to Condemn it to friends Satisfaction, altho there hath been Considerable pains taken with him in order for his Recovery Therefore for the Clearing of Truth, we can well do no less than Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him the S<sup>d</sup> Daniel Smith, denying him to be one in Unity with us the afores<sup>d</sup> People and from Under our Care, yet desiring if it be the Will of God, that he May Come to a Sight and Sease of his out going and through Unfeigned Repentance find Mercy

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo: 1765, And signed by order and in said Meeting by  
Job Russell Clerk

Job Russell Makes Report that Christopher Slocum's paper of denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which paper is as follows (viz)

C. Slocum's  
denial

Whereas Christopher Slocum of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in New-England having had his Education, and Made Profession with us the People Called Quakers, Yet through Unwatchfulness and a disregard to the Testimony of Truth in himself, hath Given occasion for a Scandalous Report that he hath committed the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, and he not Clearing himself of the Crime, but after due Inquiry we have Reason to believe it is true, and friends having Laboured with him in a Spirit of Love and Meekness in order to bring him to a Sight of his Error, but their Care and Labour Proving Ineffectual, Therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from such Inormities, This Meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him disjoin-

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disjoining him the Said Christopher Slocum from being a Member of our Community, and from under our Care, Sincerely desiring if it be the Will of God that he May yet Come to a true Sight of his Great Evil, and thro Unfeigned Repentance find Acceptance with him Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1765.

Signed in and by order of said Meeting by - Job Russell Clerk

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The Case of Peleg Slocum is referred to the next Monthly Meeting The Committee Appointed to Confer with Ebenezer Allen: Make Report that he Gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting accept him into Membership and Under friends Care, and the Women friends Inform that they have Minuted his wife Under friends Care which this Meeting Concur with

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The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Circumstance of Weston Briggs and draw a Certificate for him, Make Report that things is not quite Clear, therefore the same friends are Continued for the same service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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Whereas Thomas Athin hath gone contrary to friends orders in several Respects, and friend not having an opportunity to labour with him until lately and he not Inclining to make Satisfaction, Therefore this Meeting denies the Said Thomas Athin from Under friend Care

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Philip Savel and his wife have sent a Paper to this Meeting from Oblong Condemning their removing without a Certificate to the Unity of friends, and they desire a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong, therefore Isaac Smith and Paul Russell are Appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and Circumstances in regard to his outward affairs, and they to join the Women friends to draw a Certificate for them if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly Meeting

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Thomas Wing hath sent a paper, this Meeting Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends, and desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong, which this Meeting so far accept as



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Conversations and draw a Certificate for him if they think  
proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Queries  
answers The Queries have been read in this Meeting and answers prepared  
by Donaganset Preparative Meeting

Deputies  
to attend the  
Quarterly  
Meeting are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to draw an  
Epistle to the same and bring it to the Adjournment

Adjourn  
ment This Meeting Adjourns to the first sixth day of next Month

This Meeting being well according to Adjournment the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the  
1<sup>st</sup> month 1765, The Representatives being Called, Paul Prusell  
Benj<sup>r</sup> Tripp and David Davel present

Epistle This Meeting has signed an Epistle and sent it with the answers  
to the Queries to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives

Paper to  
be drawn  
against  
P. Wilbur The Women Friends Inform that they have discharged themselves  
in Labouring with Thebe Wilbour for the sin of fornication  
and he declines to make friends Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting  
doth Appoint Samuel Smith to draw a Paper of Denial Against  
her and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

The Treasurer has paid Jonathan Hufsey five Dollars for keeping  
the Meeting House half a year

J. Hicks  
Rec<sup>d</sup> The Women friends Inform that they have Minuted Judith Hicks  
Daughter of Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks under friends Care which this Meeting  
Concurs with

7<sup>th</sup> mo.  
1765 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1765, Donaganset Meeting called Joseph  
Smith and Samuel Smith present, for Coahset Daniel Wood  
and Joseph Tripp present

Zephaniah  
Anthony  
proposed  
of marriage  
Lave Zephaniah Anthony and Waiter Allen Declared their Intentions  
of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till  
the next Monthly Meeting for their answer, and Peleg Smith  
and Humphry Smith are Appointed to Inquire into the young man  
as to Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next  
monthly Meeting

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1765 The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Proposed to the next Monthly Meeting  
This Meeting Cannot find freedom to accept of Isaac Howland's paper  
by reason of his Apparel and some friends Questioning his Sincerity  
therefore the Matter is Proposed to the next Monthly Meeting

Recum  
This Meeting accepts of Peleg Hocum's paper provided he will  
read it or get some body to read it at the End of a first day meeting for  
worship he being present between this and the next Monthly Meeting  
and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

Adjourn  
ment This Meeting has signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting  
of Oblong for Sibel Sison

Wilcox This Meeting has signed a Removal Certificate for Weston Briggs &  
his wife to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich

The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for Philip Davel & his wife  
have drawn one too Short, therefore the same friends are still  
appointed to draw one fuller and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for Tho<sup>s</sup> Wing make Report  
that they have not drawn one, therefore they are still Continued  
to draw one and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting if they think  
proper

Report  
from  
Meeting The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting make  
Report that they all attended Except Peleg Smith and he sent  
an Excuse which was Accepted and they have Produced an Epistle  
from the Q<sup>r</sup> Meeting which hath been read in this Meeting and  
well Accepted

Epistle  
received This Meeting hath Received three Printed Epistles from London  
one Written Epistle from flushing on Long Island and one Epistle  
from the yearly Meeting of New-port on Rhode Island all of which  
was read to Good Satisfaction

Recum  
This Meeting has signed a Paper of Denial Against Thebe Wilbur  
for the sin of Fornication, and Job Prusell is Appointed to read  
it at the End of a Meeting for worship on a first day between this &  
the next Monthly Meeting and make Return of sd Paper to the  
next Monthly Meeting



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Received the following Minute from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting Respecting John Gifford

From our Monthly Meeting held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1765

This Meeting gives their Approbation that Dartmouth Monthly Meeting receive into Unity John Gifford if they think him worthy notwithstanding his place of Abode is within the Verge of this Monthly Meeting, True Copy of the minute

Test Tho: Gould Clerk

J. Gifford This Meeting accepts of John Gifford to be in membership with friends and under the care of this Meeting

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1765, Domaganed called Wm Anthony just present, for Cash set Philip Tripp and Joshua Davel present

Zeph Anthony  
& Ebenezer

The friends appointed to Inquire into Zephaniah Anthony's Concerns Make Report that they dont find any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage.

Zephaniah  
Anthony  
an/over

Zephaniah Anthony and Wait Allen appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose - And Peleg Smith and Humphrey Smith are appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Benj Davel  
proposal of  
marriage

Benjamin Davel and Patience Soule Declared their Intention of taking each other in Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Benj Tripp and Israel Wood are appointed to Inquire into the young man's Concerns, Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Isaac Howland  
Case referred  
Meeting

The Case of Isaac Howland ju is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

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The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for Philip Davel and his wife have drawn one which is signed in this Meeting and sent to the Oblong. The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for Thos Wing have done it, which was signed and sent to the Oblong

Thee Wilber's paper of Denial hath been read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which is as follows

Whereas Thee Wilber Daughter of Samuel and Mary Chase, and now Wife to Henry Wilbor, having had her Education among friends, and under the care of this Meeting, but through Unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth, hath fallen into the Preproachful Sin of Fornication, as appears by her being Delivered of a Child soon after Marriage, and this Meeting having Laboured with her in Love in order for her Recovery, but she proving Obstinate, and regardless of the tender Counsel to her Given, Therefore for the Clearing of the precious Truth that we profess from such Enormities, this Meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against her, disowning her the said Thee Wilbor from being a member of our Society and from under the Care of this Meeting, Desiring if it be Consistent with Divine pleasure, that she may yet be Convicted of the Error of her ways, and by a sincere Repentance find favour with the Lord. Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1765 and signed in and in behalf of said Meeting by  
Job Prufell Clerk

Lille's Beard's paper condemning her outgoing hath been read according to the Appointment of <sup>the women</sup> ~~last~~ Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth Esteemed friends; This may Inform you that through Unwatchfulness I have Gave way so far to the Enemy as to go contrary to the good order of the Church which appears by my having a Child <sup>born</sup> soon after Marriage, for which I am Sorry, and condemn ~~my out-~~ <sup>going</sup>



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outgoings, I hope God will forgive me, and desire friends, so far to pass it by as to let me remain under their care  
Given under my hand the 13<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1765

Lillis Beard

Catherine Ruspells Paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of the Monthly Meeting, tho' not so soon as the former Minutes Express'd, which this Meeting overlooks which said paper is as follows -

*C. Ruspell's Confession*  
To the Monthly Meeting of friends at Dartmouth to be held the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1764, Esteemed friends  
Heartily Acknowledge My outgoings in keeping Company with Joshua Barker in too free and frequent a Manner, to the dishonour of Truth and the Grief of friends, but tho' my offences have been Great, yet through the Goodness of God I have been favoured with a Sight and Sense of my Outgoings, for which my outgoings, I am heartily Sorry and do condemn, hoping God will forgive me My offences and Receive me Again into favour and desire friends would pass by my disorderly walking, and let me remain under their Care, which I value highly, hoping through Divine Assistance for the time to come to be preserved in a state of Circumspect walking, from your friend Catherine Ruspell

David Briggs Requests to come under friends care therefore this Request Meeting doth Appoint W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and W<sup>m</sup> Barker to take an opportunity of Conference with him on his Request and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
The women friends Inform that they have Minuted Elizabeth white wife to W<sup>m</sup> white, and also Elizabeth Macumber wife to Lebedee Macumber under friends care which this Meeting concurs with,

*J. Wood's*  
The overseers Inform that there is a bad Report concerning Josiah Wood and William Wilcox their salting up Beef and exposing it to Sale which was not Merchastable, and they know

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have Made Some Inquiry and do not find things Clear, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Daniel Cornish, Seth Shearman, John Potter a Committee to Make further Inquiry into the particular Circumstances between them in the Above mentioned Report, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Deleg Slocum's*  
Deleg Slocum's Paper hath been Read according to the Order of last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth (viz)  
To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth,

Whereas I Deleg Slocum Son of Holder Slocum (deceased) having been Educated amongst friends, but in My youthful days through Unwatchfulness so far have way to the Enemy as twice to fall into the Sin of Fornication, as appears first by my wifes having a Child before Marriage, and secondly with Thebe Hufsey, for which I was Justly blamed by friends; Now these are to Testify to friends and openly declare to all People that I do utterly condemn and am heartily Sorry for the Above said Crimes with all other my outgoings, and I hope the Almighty will forgive mee all my offences, and I desire friends would so far pass them by as to Receive me Again under their Care  
Given forth under My hand

This 15 day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1765

Deleg Slocum

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1765, Donaganset Meeting called Caleb Ruspell and Humphrey Smith present, for Coatsset David Davel and Ichabod Eddy present,  
The friends appointed to Inquire into the Clearness of Benj<sup>a</sup> Davel's ~~Request~~ Make Report that they don't find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage

*Benjamin Davel's*

Benjamin Davel and patience Soule appeared for their Answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that purpose, and Benj<sup>a</sup> Davel and



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1765 and Israel Wood are Appointed to see their Marriage  
Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly  
meeting;

Record of  
L. Anthony  
marriage The friends Appointed to see Lephaniah Anthony and Wait  
Allens Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attend  
the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplished  
in Good order.

Resolved  
J. Wilcox  
J. How  
and  
accepted The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting  
J. How: Isaac Howland just hath sent a paper to this Meeting Some Months  
ago, Signifying his sorrow for his outgoing in Marrying out  
of the Unity of friends and also his Using the Slave Trade  
which this Meeting accepts -

David  
Briggs  
Received The Committee Appointed to Confer with David Briggs on their  
his Request to Come under friends Care Make Report that  
he Gave them Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting  
doth Minut the said David Briggs into Membership and  
under friends Care -

Josiah  
Wood & Wm  
Wilcox  
Case referred The Committee Appointed to Make Inquiry into the Circum-  
stances of the affair concerning Josiah Wood and Wm Wilcox  
Make Report that they <sup>have not</sup> had an opportunity to speak with  
both of them, therefore the same Com: are still Continued  
in the same Service, and they to Make Report to the next  
Monthly Meeting;

Thirty  
Cords of  
Wood sold  
to pay part  
of J. Wilcox  
Debt This Meeting hath sold Thirty Cord of Wood to Doctor Hathaway  
at two Shillings Lawful Money per Cord, to discharge part  
of his Demand, for Doctoring of Stephen Wilcox, family  
and Thos Hicks jr is Appointed to see the Wood Measured and  
Make Report to this Meeting as soon as he can Conveniently  
Edmond Maxfield Requests to Come under friends Care  
therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker and  
Abraham Tucker to Make Inquiry into his Conversation  
and to Confer with him on the Account of his Request and  
make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answers prepared  
by both preparative Meetings and Read in this Meeting  
William Anthony jr and Samuel Smith are Appointed to Compile  
the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly  
Meeting and bring them to the Adjournment -

This Meeting hath Collected £ 8: 4: 2 old tenor - - -

This Meeting adjourns to the first sixth day in next Month  
This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 1<sup>st</sup> day of

the 10th Month 1765, the Representatives being Called for Donagan  
J. Humphry Smith & Caleb Prusell present, for Cate set none present

Wm Anthony jr and Samuel Smith have drawn the Epistle and  
Compiled the the Answers to the Queries and the Epistle has been  
signed in this Meeting and sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the

Representatives, with the Answers to the Queries, the Representa-  
tives are Peter Baval, Israel wood & Caleb Prusell -

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for Rebecca Howe to the  
Monthly Meeting of Swanton, and likewise signed one for Mary

Crafts to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfields -

John Sison hath removed to the nine partners without friends  
Advice and without a Certificate, therefore Joseph Smith and

Luke hart are Appointed to Inquire into his Circumstances  
and also Labour with him if they have an opportunity and Make  
Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Whereas Mary Wing hath removed without a Certificate  
some years ago to Rhode Island, and she not standing Clear

as appears by our former Minutes, therefore Humphry  
Smith, Samuel Smith Wm Anthony jr are Appointed to

draft a letter to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island as they  
shall think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting



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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 23 day of the 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1765 Donagan set Meeting Called Caleb Rusbell and Joseph Smith present, for Cahset Joseph Tripp, and Ichabod Eddy present  
This Meeting hath Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting held at Philadelphia for Pennsylvania and New-jersey dated the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1764 which was Read in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction

Epistle Received

John Howland's refusal of marriage

John Howland and Hannah Smith Declared their Intention of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Jonathan Hussey and Caleb Rusbell are Appointed to Make Inquiry into the young man's (earnes) Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
The friends Appointed to Benj<sup>o</sup> Davel and Patience Souls Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the Marriage and saw nothing but that it was Accomplish in Good order

J. Wilcox's Case referred

The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Hannah Rusbell's Certificate

Hannah Rusbell wife of Elijah Rusbell hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Swazby which this Meeting accepts

List of Friends

This Meeting has Signed a list for the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich of the friends that live the Eastward Side of Quisned River that was Under Transgression when the former List was Given who has since Made this Meeting Satisfaction

J. Wood & Wm Wilcox's Case

The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Circumstances of Josiah Wood and Wm Wilcox's Salting and Exposing Beef to Sale not Merchantable Make Report that they

They think they are neither of them (ear therefore John Potter, Daniel Cornel, Seth Shearman, Tho<sup>o</sup> Hicks, ju Paul Rusbell, David Smith, Samuel Smith are Appointed a Com<sup>tee</sup> to hear and Determine Upon the Complaint brought Against them and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
The friends Appointed to Confer with Elmond Masfield make Report that he Gave Good Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Prefer the Matter till the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting being Called upon Make Report that two of them attended and the other Made a Satisfactory Excuse, and they have Produced an Epistle from the same which was Read to Good Satisfaction

It has been Proposed at this Meeting for friends to Enlarge the Little Meeting house which is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting  
Jonathan Hussey, John Potter, Caleb Rusbell, Samuel Smith, Benjillia Tucker, Daniel Cornel, David Smith, are Appointed to oversee the yearly Meeting, to prevent any Indecency that May happen at that time, and also Benj<sup>o</sup> Tripp, David Datal John Mofher, Daniel Wood are Appointed for the same Service at Cahsett Meeting, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Abigail Stales has Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of fornication which this Meeting accepts Provided She Read it or Get some body to Read it at the End of a first day Meeting for Worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting She being present



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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1765, Donagan set Meeting called Joseph Smith and Caleb Prusell presents for Casket David Savel and John Hester pro- The friends Appointed to Make Enquiry into John Howland's Case and report, Make Report that they Dont find Any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage -

J. Howland's case

John Howland's answer

John Howland and Hannah Smith did Appear for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the Overseers for that Purpose and Jonathan Husey and David South Joseph Smith are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Sett. Ralph Prusell's proposal of marriage

Ralph Prusell and Maryiah Walker Declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are Appointed to Make Enquiry into the young man's Case respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Case of Stephen Wilcox's report

The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Preferred Under the same Care as heretofore

Josiah Woods paper accepted

The Committee Appointed to hear and Determine Upon the Complaint brought Against Josiah Wood and W<sup>m</sup> Wilcox Make Report that they have had a Conference With Josiah Wood and they think he ought to Condemn his Misconduct in that Affair Publickly and the said Wood hath Accordingly Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning his Selling Beef to W<sup>m</sup> Wilcox that was not Merchantable, which this Meeting Accepts Provided he will Read a paper or Cause it to be Read at the End of a first day Meeting for Worship; between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present

And the same Committee are still Continued to Confer with said Wilcox and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
In this Meeting Minutes Edmond Macfield Under friends Care Amey Hart hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication with the Priest of her Misconduct in that Case, which this Meeting Prefers to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Proposal for Enlarging the little Meeting House is Preferred to the next Monthly Meeting;

The friends Appointed Overseers at the Yearly Meeting to Endeavour to prevent Any Indecency that may happen at that time Make Report that they attended the meeting and that the People behaved in a Good degree Orderly, and they think the Practice of Appointing Overseers for that Purpose has a Good Attendance; Philip Shearman hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in falling into a Bodily Strife with Daniel Dabody;

The friends down in Allen's Neck Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting there for four Months from this time on first day which is Granted, and Philip Allen and Daniel Cruel are Appointed to that the Meeting be held Agreeable to Good order and they to Make Report thereof at the Expiration of the four Months

The friends at new Swarogoy Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting at some convenient Place up there for four Months on first day which this Meeting Grants and Usher Bowen and Abrahm Prusell are Appointed to see that the Meeting be held according to Good order and they to Make Report at the End of the four Months

John Sphon Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at the request of nine Partners therefore Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are Appointed to draw a Certificate for him if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting



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Abigail States Paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of the last Monthly Meeting and is as follows;

A State  
Confession

To the Monthly Meeting of Women friends, held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1765

This May Inform you that by Unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Sin of Fornication which I do Condemn and hope that God will forgive me, and God Desires that friends would forgive and pass by my offences and let me remain under their Care as before.

Abigail States

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At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 12<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1765, Donagansett Meeting called Paul Ruppell and Caleb Ruppell present, for Cakeset Peter Davel and Benj<sup>n</sup> Triggs present The friends Appointed to Enquire into Seth Ruppell's Cleanness make Report that they don't find any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

S. Ruppell  
Cleanness

Seth Ruppell  
answer

Seth Ruppell, Kariah Walker Appeared for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that Purpose and Joseph Smith and Luke Hart are appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Report of

John Howland  
and  
marriage

Jonathan Hussey and Joseph Smith make Report that they attended the Marriage of John Howland and Hannah Smith and saw nothing but that it was Accomplish'd in good order

Care of  
Stephen  
Wilcox

The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting Josiah Wood's Paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, which Paper is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1765, through Unwatchfulness I have sold Beef to William Wilcox that was not Merchantable for which I am Sorry and do Condemn, hoping that God will forgive me, and I desire that friends would pass it by ~~God's~~ ~~let~~ ~~them~~ ~~be~~ ~~it~~ - Josiah Wood

The Com<sup>tee</sup> Appointed to Confer with Wm Wilcox Report that they have not had an Opportunity to Speak with him, therefore the same Committee are still Continued in the same Service and also to Labour with him for Inlisting into the Kings Service, and taking up Arms, and also to Treat with him about his Marrying out of the Unity of friends, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

The Case of Amey Hart is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting It hath been Proposed at this Meeting to Enlarge the Little Meeting to the House therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Gifford, Wm Sanford, Humphrey Smith, Prince Allen, Barnabas Mosher, a Committee to Consider the Advantages, and disadvantages that may attend the Enlargement, and also compute the Cost as near as they can, and make Report to the Adjournalment

This Meeting doth so far Accept of Philip Shoarman's Paper Condemning his disorder as for him to Read it or Cause it to be Read at the End of a first day Meeting for Worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting and he to be present

George Smith jr. hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in Lifting on board of a Privateer with all the Prest of his Conduct in supporting of War, which this Meeting Accepts and he to remain Under friends Care

Isaac Howland jr. Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island, Therefore Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony jr. are Appointed to draw one for him if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting



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The Queries have been Read and Answer'd in this Meeting and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun: and Humphry Smith are Appointed to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and bring them to the Adjournment

Cahset  
friends  
request to  
to have  
a Monthly  
Meeting

Cahset Meeting Requests to have a Monthly Meeting Granted them, which this Meeting so far Consues with as to Refer the Matter to the next Monthly Meeting for Consideration This Meeting hath Collected £ 6:15

adjourn  
mett

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next Month This 3<sup>d</sup> day of the first Month 1766

Report  
on little  
meeting  
house

The Representatives being Called, for Ponaganset Caleb Pusep present, for Cahset Benj<sup>t</sup> Tripp present, the friends Appointed to Consider the Advantages and disadvantages of Enlarging the little Meeting House Make Report in writing, which is Refer'd to the Monthly Meeting to be holden in the fourth Month Next, and the Report to be kept upon file till then

answer  
to Queries  
& Epistle  
sent

The friends Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting have done it, and the Epistle was signed in this Meeting and order'd to be Carried up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives together with the Answers to the Queries, the friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are Caleb Pusep Joseph Smith, Benj<sup>t</sup> Tripp

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20 day of the first Month 1766, Ponaganset Meeting Called Caleb Pusep and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun: present, for Cahset Philip Tripp present

Report  
of the  
Marriage

The friends Appointed to see Seth Pusep and Phaziah White her's Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended

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the Marriage which was Accomplish'd in Good order — The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to Labour with W<sup>m</sup> Wilcox Make Report that they Labour'd with him and he desires one Month more to Endeavour to Make friends Satisfaction. therefore the Matter is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Philip Shearman's Paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, And is as follows

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18<sup>th</sup> day  
of the 11<sup>th</sup> Month  
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To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth

These are to Inform that I some time past through Unwatchfulness unhappily fell into a Bodily Strife with Daniel Pabody, whereby Blows were Deap'd between us, for which I am heartily Sorry and do Condemn, and I hope friends will pass by My Offence and let me remain Under their Care Given forth Under My Hand this 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> mo: 1765

Philip Shearman,

Adjourn  
mett

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Isaac Howland jun: to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island

Adjourn  
mett

This Meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant This Meeting being mett according to Adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> day of the first Month 1766. the Representatives being present

Report  
from  
Quarterly  
Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Make Report that they all attended the Meeting, and have Produced an Epistle from the same which was Read and well accepted in this Meeting

Adjourn  
mett

Cahset friend Request to have a Monthly Meeting Set off to them is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Adjourn  
mett

Bridget Potter wife to Stephen Potter hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning her outgoing in Marrying out of the Unity of friends with all the Priest of her outgoing, which this



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Certificate  
for B. P.

Care of  
Obediah  
Allen

which this Meeting accepts, and this Meeting hath signed a Certificate for her to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine-past-six The Committee Appointed some Months ago to Treat with Obediah Allen on the Account of his Sincerity in Giving in a Paper to the Meeting Condemning his outgoings in falling into Fornication, together with the Rest of the Circumstances Relating to that Case, Make Report that (they not having an Opportunity to treat with him till lately) that they do not find him Clear in all the Above mentioned Circumstances therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Daniel Brupell and Nicholas Howland to Join with the Above said Committee to treat further with him for all the offences that may Appear Against him, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

J. Brupell Joseph Brupells Requests to Come Under friends Care with his wife and family, which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting

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1766

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17 day of the 2. Month 1766, Donaganset Meeting Called Caleb Brupell and Samuel Smith present, for Catsbet Joseph Tripp and Israel Wood present,

The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting

The Committee Appointed to treat with Stephen Wilcox Make Report that they have Laboured with him for Inlifting into the Kings Service and taking up Arms, and also Marrying out of the Unity of friends and Neglecting to attend Meetings for Worship, which disorders he Gave them Encouragment of Condemning at this Meeting tho' he still Neglects it, therefore this Meeting finding themselves Clear in Labouring with him, and do Conclude to deny the said W<sup>r</sup> Wilcox, and do Appoint David Smith and

Care of  
J. W. refer'd

W<sup>r</sup> Wilcox  
his own

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not friends  
least to  
be a month  
meeting

Allen  
refer'd

Brupell  
request

Howland  
removed  
Howland  
request a  
certificate

minutes to  
be revised

and Samuel Smith to draw a Paper of denial Against him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting, and Timothy Brupell is Appointed to Inform him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Catsbet friends Still Request to have a Monthly Meeting set off to them, and also desire a Committee to determine where to prefix the Boundaries Between this and that Meeting and all Circumstances Relating thereto, Therefore Humphry Smith, Philip Tripp, Samuel Smith, Daniel Wood Joseph Tucker are Appointed a Committee for that purpose and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Committee Appointed to Treat with Obediah Allen make Report that they have discoursed with him and he Gave them Encouragment that he would write to the next Monthly Meeting which is Refer'd to the said Meeting, Under their Care

Joseph Brupells and his wife's Request to Come Under friends Care is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Samuel Howland just Hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his outgoings in Removing without friends Advice, which this Meeting accepts, and the R. Howland Requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield in Rhode Island Colony, for himself and Children therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Peleg Huddlestone and Philip Tripp a Committee to Inquire into his Circumstances, and draw a Certificate for him if they think Proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker, Humphry Smith Job Brupell Samuel Smith a Committee to peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes to see what part they shall think proper to be put on Record, and Make Report to the next Monthly meeting;



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To the Jonathan Hussey and William Sanford are Appointed a Committee to Make up Accounts with the Overseers of the Poor and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Paul Mather Preparative Meeting Informs that Paul Mather hath Married out of the Unity of friends, and hath been dealt with by the Overseers, and declines to Condemn his Offence, therefore Benj<sup>r</sup> Tripp and Joseph Tripp are Appointed to Labour further with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Amey Hart hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning her Outgoings, in falling into the Sin of fornication which this Meeting accepts with the Provisional that she Read it or Cause it to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship at Newtown between this and the next Monthly Meeting she being present, and Return the paper to the S<sup>d</sup> Meeting

The Overseers Inform this Meeting that Francis Allen and Benj<sup>r</sup> Allen hath Allowed of fiddling and dancing in their Houses for which the S<sup>d</sup> Overseers have Laboured with them and they decline to Condemn the offence to friends Satisfaction therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Gifford and Berzillia Tucker to Labour further with them, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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1766

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1766, the Representations are for Coahset Philip Tripp and Daniel Wood present, for Donaganset Caleb Prusell and Samuel Smith present

David Briggs and Rebecca Howland and Edmond Maxfield and Rachel Prusell, and William Hart, and Esther Mader declared their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting and were desired to Wait till the next Monthly

To the with overseers of the poor

Paul Mather's disorderly marriage

Amey Hart's paper accepted

F. Allen Benj<sup>r</sup> Allen hath allowed fiddling dancing in their houses

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David Briggs Edm. Maxfield W. Hart E. Mader proposal of marriage

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Meeting for their Answers, and John Potter and Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to Make Inquiring into David Briggs's (Cease) Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, And Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mather are Appointed for the same Service with Edmond Maxfield and William Hart junior and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Timothy Prusell Reports that he hath Informed W<sup>m</sup> Willcox Agreeable to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and Also David Smith and Samuel Smith hath drafted a denial against W<sup>m</sup> Willcox, and presented it to this Meeting which hath been read and signed by the Clerk, and the S<sup>d</sup> Clerk is ordered to Read the Denial Publicly, at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting and Make Report to S<sup>d</sup> Meeting;

The Case of Stephen Willcox is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

The women friends Inform that they have Minuted Ruth Tripp, Rebecca Tripp and Lydia Tripp under their Care, which this Meeting concurs with;

Three Committees Appointed to discourse with Obediah Allen Make Report that he hath not writ any thing to this Meeting agreeable to his talk some time past, therefore his Case is Referred (on the Request of his Father) unto the next Monthly Meeting;

Joseph Prusell and his Wife hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning their disorder in Marriage, and also they desire to Come under friends Care with their Children which this Meeting so far accepts as to Appoint Joseph Tucker and Joseph Gifford to Treat with them and their Children that have Attained to the years of understanding, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

W<sup>m</sup> Willcox's denial to be read

Stephen Willcox's case referred

Women friends' minutes

Obediah Allen's case referred

Joseph Prusell and wife's paper



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W<sup>m</sup> Brown  
Certificate

Certificate  
for Samuel  
Howland  
minutes  
not received

Settled with  
overseers of  
the Poor

End of Paul  
Moffet

Amie  
starts  
paper read

William Brown hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantuxet to this Meeting which hath been Read and Accepted

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield for Samuel Howland just and his Children

The Committee Appointed to peruse the Monthly Meeting Minutes, Make Report that they have not Perused 33 Minutes, therefore they are still Continued in the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Committee Appointed to Adjust Accounts with the Overseers of the poor Make Report that all accounts are Ballanced between this Meeting and the sd Overseers

The Committee Appointed to Treat with Paul Moffet Make Report that they have not had an opportunity with sd Moffet therefore the sd Committee are still Continued in the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Amey Hart's Paper hath been Read According to the order of last Monthly Meeting

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Allen  
Certificate

Minutes  
not received

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received  
minutes  
meeting

returning  
the books

Benjamin Allen hath Given in a Paper Condemning his Allowing of fiddling and dancing in his House at the time of Husting, which this Meeting Recepts

The friends, Appointed to treat with Francis Allen Report that they <sup>have</sup> not had an opportunity to speak with him, therefore they are still Continued in the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting Adjourns to the 20 day of this Instant;

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 20 day of the 3<sup>d</sup> month 1766, the Representatives, being Called Caleb Russell Samuel Smith, Philip Tripp and Daniel Wood present;

The Committee Appointed to fix the Boundaries between this and the Monthly Meeting Requested to be Sett off at Cohasset, Make Report that they have agreed Upon the Boundaries and other things Relating to Cohasset being Set off as a Monthly meeting which Report is as follows (viz)

According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, we have Described a line for the boundaries between the Monthly Meetings of Donaganset and Cohasset as follows, Beginning at the South-Easternmost Corner of Benjamin Wing's Homestead farm, from thence to Cohasset River as the line of said Benj<sup>d</sup> Land goes, Thence Southerly by said River to the Sea, Again from said Corner first Mentioned thence Northerly in the line between said Villages until it comes to the Country Road, Thence on a Streight line to <sup>the</sup> nearest part of the westernmost Branch of Noguechuck River, thence by said Branch of said River till it comes to Freetown line - - -

We have likewise Concluded for Cohasset friends to have about one third part of the Books belonging to the Monthly Meeting, and likewise that they be supplied with a Transcript of the Book of Discipline at the Cost of the whole, and also that <sup>the</sup>



the Monthly Meetings debts be paid in the same proportion that shall be due when the Meeting is divided, But the friends that are now under Relief are to be supported where they are, and those friends to quit their claim of the Meeting House Land, in Donaganset, dated the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1766

Joseph Tucker } Philip Tripp  
Humphry Smith } Daniel Wood  
Samuel Smith

Joseph Roach just hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket to this Meeting which hath been Read and accepted

The Queries have been Read and Answered in this Meeting Caleb Russell, William Anthony just, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks just are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the same, and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting

The overseers Inform that William Smith there, has gone contrary to Good order in Marrying out of the Unity of friends for which he hath been Labour'd with by the overseers, and declines to Make Satisfaction, therefore John Potter and William Barber are Appointed to Labour farder with him, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The overseers also Inform that Samuel Smith hath fallen into the sin of fornication, and hath been Labour'd with by them and he neglects to Condemn his out-goings, therefore Paul Russell and Luke Hart are appointed to Labour farder with him, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting Adjourns to the first sixth day of next month  
This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1766, the Representatives being

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Joseph Roach just accepted

Representatives to Quarterly Meeting

Wm Smith disorderly marriage

Complain against Samuel Smith

adjournment

being called, Caleb Russell Samuel Smith and Philip Tripp present

The friends Appointed to Compile the Answers to the Queries and draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting have fulfilled their Appointment and the Epistle has been signed in this Meeting and sent up by the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting with the Answers to the Queries -

This Meeting hath signed and sent a Letter to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong, signifying that this Meeting hath received their letter concerning Daniel Tripp, which is as followeth;

From our Monthly Meeting held at Oblong the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> mo: 1766, To the Monthly Meeting of Friends at Dartmouth

Dear Friends, we hereby acquaint you, that where as Daniel Tripp Resided some time amongst us, and was for some years a Member of our Society, but by Marrying out from amongst us, contrary to the Advice of Friends, for which he was dealt with, but Proving refractory, after some time he was testified against, soon after which he was testified against set up a Seperate Meeting, which he kept for a considerable time, to the Great Dissatisfaction of Friends, and since he has Moved to your parts, we understand he frequents friends Meetings, and Publicly appears as a Minister amongst you, therefore we send you the Above lines to let you know the Circumstance he stood in at the time when he Removed from these parts

Signed in and on behalf of our R. Meety By  
Zebulon Ferris Clerk

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 25 of the 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1766, Donagan set Meeting Called John Potter and Wm Anthony just present, for Caleb Peleg Huddleston and Joseph Tripp present,

David Briggs  
Edmond Maxfield  
Wm Hart  
and others

David Briggs and Rebecca Howland, and Edmond Maxfield and Rachel Ruppell, and William Hart jr. and Ephzer Slade appeared for their answers, which was that each Couple might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that Purpose. And John Potter and Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to see David Briggs, and Rebecca Howland, Marriage Consumated in Good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, And Paul Ruppell and William Mosher are Appointed to see Edmond Maxfield and Rachel Ruppell's Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, And Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher are Appointed for the same <sup>Service</sup> with William Hart jr. and Ephzer Slade and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting William Wilcox's Paper of Denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows

Wm Wilcox  
disowns

Whereas William Wilcox Son of Wm Wilcox Deceased and Dorothy his Wife, having been under the Care of this Meeting, yet through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth, has so far deviated from our Holy Profession as to fall into several Reproachful things, and disorders, Particularly in Justifying and Going into the Military Service, and Marrying out of the order of Friends, likewise in selling such Beef as was not Merchantable to the Defrauding of the Buyer, and also in Neglecting to attend our Religious Meeting of Publick Worship, and Friends having Repeated their

Labour of love and advice and toward him in order to disengage him the Soil of his ways, but their Labour not obtaining it's desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore for the Clearing of the precious Truth and Friends from the Preproach thereof, this Meeting Gives this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, Disowning him the said Wm Wilcox from being one of our Community, and from under the Care of this Meeting, yet desiring his Return from the way of Error and that by the door of true Penitance he may find Mercy Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1766, And signed In and on behalf of S<sup>d</sup> Meeting by Job Ruppell Clerk

Allen  
refers

Whereas Obediah Allen hath been in the Practice of Gaming and hath been dealt with, and declines to make friends, satisfaction, therefore friends, Can't find freedom to accept of his Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication, therefore the matter is referred to the next monthly Meeting under the same Care as heretofore

Smith  
relief

Moriah Smith hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich to this Meeting which hath been Read and accepted

Ruppell  
decided

The women friends Inform that they have ministered Rebecca Ruppell wife Daughter of Joseph Ruppell under their Care which this Meeting Concurs with

Ruppell  
family

The Comtee appointed to treat with Joseph Ruppell his wife and Family on their Request to Come under friends care, Make a Satisfactory Report, therefore this Meeting Accepts them under friends Care

The friends Appointed to Review the Monthly Meeting Minutes to see what part must go on Record, Make Report that they



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Minutes they have fulfilled their Appointment and left 30 minutes  
Recorded with Samuel Smith to be Recorded -

The friends Appointed overseers in the Meeting held in  
Allen's Neck, Report that they attended the Meeting  
and saw nothing but that it was Carried on decently and  
in Good order -

Report from The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that  
2d meeting they all attended P. meeting, and have Produced an Epistle  
from the same which hath been Read and well accepted

And the Quarterly Meeting hath Granted our Request to  
meeting have a monthly Meeting of men and women Friends, Sett  
Set off off at Cabsett according to the Boundaries prefixt, and  
this meeting Concludes for Cabset friends to hold their Monthly  
Meeting the seventh day before the third second day in  
Each month;

The friends Appointed to Treat with W. m. Smith y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> make  
W. m. Report that he Gave them no Satisfaction, therefore  
Smith denied friends finding themselves Clear in Labouring with him  
do deny the P. W. m. Smith from under friends Care -

The friends Appointed to Labour with Samuel Smith Report  
Lambert case refers that both have not had an opportunity with him, but the friends  
that had an opportunity Reports that he Gave him Good  
Satisfaction, and he hath sent a Paper to this Meeting Con-  
demning his offence which is Refer'd under the Care of the  
afore said Committee -

Whereas Stephen Wilcox having Appeared in this Meeting  
S. Wilcox in a very Passionate Manner, Casting heavy Reflections on  
his Trans- us, saying that he believed we should have fewer Testimonies  
Griefion amongst us, and that it was Pitty we should have any  
Except it be some to Reprimand us for our wickedness, and  
Stamping on the floor in a Passionate Manner, to the Great  
Grief and sorrow of the Sincere in heart, Therefore this

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Meeting doth Appoint Tho: Hicks, Deleg Smith, Joseph Gifford  
Barzillia Tucker to Labour with him and make Report there-  
of to the next monthly Meeting; - They are likewise to  
Inform him that we desire him to desist from Appearing in  
Publick -

This meeting Adjourns to the 7<sup>th</sup> day of next month

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> day of the  
8<sup>th</sup> mo: 1766, the Representatives being Called, John Potter and  
Deleg Huddleston present

whereas Paul Mosher hath Married out of the Unity of friends  
and hath been dealt with Agreeable to Good order, and he de-  
clines to Condemn his offence therefore this Meeting finding them-  
selves Clear in Labouring with him, do deny the P. Paul  
Mosher from under the Care of this Meeting

The Case of Francis Allen is Refer'd to the next monthly Meeting  
under the same Care as heretofore -

Proposal for Inlarging the Little Meeting House is Refer'd to the  
next Monthly Meeting;

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the  
5<sup>th</sup> month 1766, Donaganset Meeting Called Joseph Smith and  
Tho: Hicks ju<sup>r</sup> present, for Cabset Joshua David and Israel  
Wood present,

Edward Wing ju: of Sandwich and Edith Tucker declared their  
Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next  
Monthly Meeting for their Answer,

And Tho: Smith ju: and Rebecca Howland likewise declared  
their Intentions of Marriage & were desired to wait till the  
next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Luke Hart and  
W. m. Mosher are Appointed to Inquire into P. Smiths Clearness  
Respecting Marriage and Conversation and to Make Report  
to the next Monthly Meeting;



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Report of John Potter and Jonathan Hussey Preport, that they attended the Marriage of David Briggs and Rebecca Howland and that it was Accomplish'd in Good order

Paul Prupell and Wm Mosher Preport that they attended the Marriage of Edmond Maxfield and Rachel Prupell which (they say) was Accomplish'd in Good order

Joseph Smith and Barnabas Mosher, likewise Preport that they attended the Marriage of Wm Hart jr: and Esther Slade and that it was Accomplish'd in Good order

Whereas Obediah Allen some time past fell into the sin of Fornication, and also since hath been in the Practice of Gaming, for which he hath been dealt with by this Meeting and declines to Condemn his offences to friends Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting being (Care in Labouring with him, do Conclude to deny him from under the Care of this Meeting, and do Appoint Samuel Smith to draw a Paper of denial Against the P. Obediah Allen, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.

The friends Appointed to Labour with Stephen Wilcox for his Misconduct at the last Monthly Meeting, Preport that he did not Condemn his P. offences in full therefore the matter is Prefer'd till next monthly Meeting under the same Care as heretofore and they to make Preport to the next Monthly Meeting.

Francis Allen hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his Giving way to too much Liberty in allowing of fiddling and dancing at the time of his Huswary, which this Meeting accepts

This Meeting Concludes to drop the Proposal for Enlarging the little Meeting House for the present

This Meeting doth Appoint Jonathan Hussey and David Smith to Receive in Account, for doing for the poor of this Meeting and also Endeavour to Inform themselves into the Validity of P. accounts, and also to friends, to Join with Philip Trapp

Report of E. Maxfield marriage

Report of Wm Hart jr marriage

meeting conducted to deny O. Allen

Case of S. Wilcox Report

F. Allen Paper

Case of meeting house drop

to Receive accounts of poor

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to Divide the Books that belongs to this Meeting; This Meeting doth Appoint Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony jr: to Collect the Birth, place of abode, time of publick Ministry and death of Elizabeth Gidley, and bring the account to the next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting hath Collected L<sup>g</sup> of 6 old teners and the Treasurer hath paid Timothy Prupell five Dollars for Keeping the Meeting House half a year

And Jonathan Hussey and Wm Sanford are Appointed to Adjust accounts with the Treasurer and make Preport to the next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting doth Appoint Wm Anthony jr: to Receive the Subscriptions that are subscribed to defray the Charges of this Meeting and also to pay out the money as this meeting shall order

At a Monthly Meeting Met the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1766 The Representatives are Abraham Tucker & John Potter present;

Whereas the yearly Meeting is now in being, therefore this Meeting doth adjourn to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant

This Meeting being met according to adjournment the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1766 The Representatives being called both present Edward wing hath Produced a Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Sandwich, Certifying his Cleanness Respecting Marriage and Conversation which hath been read & accepted

Edward Wing jr: and Edith Tucker appeared for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose, and Abraham Tucker and Joseph Gifford are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

Thomas Smith jr: and Rebecca Howland appeared for their answer

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Edw Wing Certificate

Edw Wing jr: & Tucker

Thomas Smith jr: answer



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Answers, which was that they might Proceed to take each other  
in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next  
Monthly Meeting, Advising with the Overseers for that purpose,  
and Luke Hart and William Mosher are appointed to see  
their Marriage Consumated in good order and Make Report  
to the next Monthly Meeting;

W<sup>m</sup> Prichet  
= son  
propose  
of marriage

William Prichetson and Elizabeth Smith declared their  
Intentions of taking each other in Marriage, and were desired  
to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and  
Caleb Drupell and Job Drupell are appointed to make Inquiry  
into W<sup>m</sup> Prichetson's Cleareness Respecting Marriage, and  
Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

O. Allen  
disorder

This Meeting hath signed a paper of Denial Against  
Abediah Allen for the Sin of Fornication & Gaming, and  
the Clerk of this Meeting is appointed to read it at the Close  
of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next  
Monthly Meeting and Make Report to said Meeting

Swilcox  
paper

Stephen Wilcox hath given in a Paper to this Meeting  
condemning his Reflecting Speeches, which was Expressed  
in our Monthly Meeting two Months ago, which this Meet-  
ing doth accept, and said Wilcox's former Preferences are  
still Continued under the same Regulation as heretofore  
This Meeting hath signed a Paper of Denial Against Su-  
sanna Brightman for the Sin of fornication and the Clerk  
is appointed to Read said paper at the Close of a first day  
Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly  
Meeting, and make Report to said Meeting

John  
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Our Esteemed friend John Griffith hath Visited this Meeting  
with a Certificate from Chelmsford Monthly Meeting in Essex  
dated the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1765 and also from the Quarterly  
Meeting held at Coggshall in Essex the 12<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1765  
and also from the yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held in  
London by Adjournments from the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> Month to the  
3<sup>d</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1765 which was Read to Good Satisfaction

Our Esteemed friend Tho: Ross hath Visited this Meeting, and pro-  
duced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held in Write-town  
in Bucks County Pennsylvania, bearing date the 6<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup>  
month 1766 which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction

The Queries have been Read & Answered in this Meeting and  
Deleg Smith & Humphry Smith are appointed to draw an Epistle  
to the Quarterly Meeting & bring it to the Adjournment

This Meeting Adjourns to the first sixth day in next month  
The Meeting being Met according to Adjournment the 7<sup>th</sup> day  
of the 7<sup>th</sup> mo: 1766 the Representatives being Called both present  
The friends appointed to Receive accounts and Approbate them  
Report that they have Received them and allowed to the

Amount of - - - - -	36 - 6 - 4
Costs of meeting paying one third part of S <sup>r</sup> Sum - -	5 - 8 - 9
Remains for this Meeting to pay - - - Lawfulmony -	10 - 17 - 7

The Committee appointed to Collect the Birth & C<sup>t</sup> of Elizabeth  
Gidley have Answered their Appointment, and the account  
thereof is ordered to be put on Record

Humphry Smith, Abraham Tucker, Caleb Drupell are ap-  
pointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, This Meeting  
hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and sent  
it up by the Representatives

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21 of the  
7<sup>th</sup> month 1766, The Representatives are Samuel Smith and  
Barzillia Tucker present;

The friends appointed to Inquire into the Cleareness of W<sup>m</sup> Prichetson  
make Report that they have made proper Inquiry, and don't  
find any thing to hinder him from Proceeding in Marriage

William Prichetson and Elizabeth Smith appear'd for their An-  
swer, which was that they might Proceed to take each  
other in Marriage in some convenient time between this  
and the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the Overseers for  
that purpose, and Caleb Drupell & Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland ju: are ap:



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appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Report of Ed Wing marriage

Abraham Tucker Reports that he attended the Marriage of Edward Wing jr and Edith Tucker which was Accomplish'd in Good order

Report of Tho Smith marriage

Luke Hart & Wm Mosher Reports that they attended the Marriage of Tho Smith jr and Rebecca Howland which was accomplish'd in Good order

Obediah Allens Paper of Denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting And is as follows (viz)

O. Allen Whereas Obediah Allen, Son of our friends Prince and Deborah Allen, having been under the Care of this Meeting, yet he has so far gone astray from our Profession as to fall into the Preproachful Sin of Fornication, and also been found in the Practice of Gaming, And friends having repeated their Labour of Love with him in order for his Recovery, but our Labour of Love not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore we being desirous that the Truth of our Holy Profession may be preserved from the Preproach of <sup>such</sup> enormities, do Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him, disowning him the said Obediah Allen from being one of our Society and from being in Membership with us, yet we desire if it be Consistant with Divine Pleasure that he may yet find a place of Repentance, and by an Unfeigned acknowledgment of the Error of his way, Return to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth by Adjournment on the 23<sup>d</sup> day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1766 by ——— Job Russell Clerks

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Susanna Brightman's Paper of Denial hath been read according to the appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows

Whereas Susanna Brightman Daughter of Joshua and Hannah Shearman having had her Education among friends and under the Care of this Meeting, but through unwatchfulness & disregarding the Testimony of Truth hath fallen into the Preproachful Sin of Fornication, as appears by her having a Child soon after Marriage and this Meeting having laboured with her in Love in order for her Recovery, but she proving obstinate, and regardless of the tender Council to her given, Therefore for the clearing of the precious Truth that we Profess, from such enormities, this Meeting is concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony against her, disowning her the said Susanna Brightman from being a Member of our Society, and from under the Care of this Meeting, desiring if it be Consistant with Divine pleasure, that she may yet be convinced of the Error of her ways, and by a sincere Repentance, find favour with the Lord

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth by adjournment on the 23<sup>d</sup> day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1766

Signed In by order & in behalf of S<sup>d</sup> Meeting by Job Russell Clerks  
Apphia Mott Clerks

This Meeting hath come to a Conclusion that Stephen Wilcox ought not to desist from appearing in Publick untill his affairs be better settled in regard to his debts, and the P. Stephen Wilcox Case is referred under the same Regulation as heretofore to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended agreeable to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction

Received Epistles one from London Printed & one written one also one Epistle from Philadelphia, and one from Flushing



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Also we have Received an Epistle from our Yearly Meeting of Rhode Island held the 12<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1766 all which have been read in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction, and as they contain a Great deal of wholesome advice and Good Exhortation, they are Earnestly Recommended to friends Notice and Observation,

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The friends Appointed two months ago to adjust accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have Settled accounts, and there Remains in the Stock - - - - - £ 2 8 5

Old tenner - - - - -  
Caleb Monthly Meeting has paid their Proportion of the Monthly Meetings Debts which is - - - - - £ 5 8 9

Case of  
of the  
of the

Lawful Money  
twenty four Books belongs to this Meeting, and Timothy Rufell is appointed to have the Care of said Books to lend them out and take them in Once a month -

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This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Deborah Slade (wife to Joseph Slade) and her Children to the Monthly Meeting of Swanzey - - - - -

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1766 The Representatives are William Mosher and Benjamin Smith jr: present

Report of  
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The friends Appointed to see Wm Ricketson and Elizabeth Smiths Marriage Consumated Report that they attended the Marriage which was Consumated in Good order

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This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Abigail States (wife of Peter States) to the Monthly Meeting of South Kings-town - - - - -

Case of  
of the  
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The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Refer'd under the Care of Thomas Hicks jr: and he to make Report Inform said Wilcox that this Meeting Requests that he Inform friends at

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at the next Monthly Meeting what Progness he hath Made in regard to paying his debts -

Luke Hart, Paul Rusbell, William Anthony jr: Benj: Howland & Samuel Smith and Daniel Cornel are Chosen overseers

Zephaniah Anthony and his wife have Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Signifying their sorrow for their falling into the Sin of Fornication, which is Refer'd unto the next Monthly Meeting under the Care of Deleg Smith & Benjamin Smith jr: and they to make Report to next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting hath Received one of George Fox's Journals and 7/6 Sterling overplus Money, which is Lodged with the Treasurer

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1766,

William Anthony jr: and th Samuel Smith are the Representatives both present

This Meeting doth Appoint Humphry Smith and Samuel Smith to draw an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and bring it to the Adjournment of this Meeting;

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next Month This Meeting being met according to Appointed adjournment the 2<sup>d</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1766, The Representatives being Called both presents

The Case of Stephen Wilcox is Refer'd under the Care of Daniel Rusbell and Thomas Hicks jr: - - - - -

Deleg Smith and Benj: Smith jr: Report that they have Treated with Zephaniah Anthony in regard to his Paper that he Gave in last Monthly Meeting, in which they think him to be Sincere, which is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting;

Joseph Tucker, Humphry Smith, Caleb Rusbell are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and present the Epistle (which was signed in this Meeting) with the Answers to Queries; and Make Report



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Report to the next Monthly Meeting:--  
This Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Cash for Monthly Meeting half a Crown Sterling, it being one third part of the overplus Money for George Fox's Journals

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1766 The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Benj<sup>s</sup> Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> Present

Care of  
Zephaniah  
refers

The Case of Zephaniah Anthony is referred under the Care of his Brother W<sup>m</sup> Anthony unto the next Monthly Meeting

Elchu Bowen  
en request  
a certificate

Elchu Bowen Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and Family to the Monthly Meeting of Swansey. Therefore Luke Hart & Paul Prussell are appointed to Make proper Enquiry into his Circumstances, and draw one for them if they think proper & bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Report from  
Quartermen  
meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting report that they all attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the Same, which hath been read in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction

Pr Soule Rachel Soule hath been Represented under necessitous Circumstances, and Liable to become one of this Meeting's poor, Therefore Humphry Smith & Jonathan Hussey are appointed to make Inquiry into her Circumstances & State and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting's

Jonathan Gifford  
de refers  
a certificate

Jonathan Gifford desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation, Therefore Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are appointed to make Inquiry into his aforesaid Circumstances, and draw a Certificate for him if they think proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting's

This Meeting doth Appoint John Potter, Daniel Prussell Timothy Prussell Samuel Smith, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks 2<sup>d</sup> Prince Allen

overseers  
for yearly  
meeting

James

10 mo  
1766

James Tucker overseers at the yearly Meeting to Endeavour to prevent any Indecency that may happen at that time, and make Report of their Service to the next Monthly Meeting's

11 mo  
1766

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1766, The Representatives are Daniel Cornel and Thomas Hicks 2<sup>d</sup> present

Timothy  
Howland  
refers

Timothy Howland and Lucey Allen Declared their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage, and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Daniel Cornel and Thomas Hicks 2<sup>d</sup> are appointed to make Inquiry into the young Man's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Case of  
Zephaniah  
refers

The Case of Zephaniah Anthony is referred under the same Care as heretofore

Elchu  
Bowen  
refers

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Elchu Bowen and his family to the Monthly Meeting of Swansey

Case of  
Rachel  
Soule  
refers

The Case of Rachel Soule is referred under the same Regulation as heretofore

Jonathan  
Gifford  
refers

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for Jonathan Gifford to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, Respecting his Clearness in regard to Marriage & his Conversation

This  
Meeting  
allows

This Meeting allows of Timothy Prussell's account for clearing the Burying yard & Repairing the fence & Bars, which is 4 13  
old teners

David Smith hath paid Cash for Monthly Meeting 2/6 Sterling agreeable to Appointment

John  
Sison  
refers

John Sison Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and Children to the Monthly Meeting of Ablong, therefore Paul Prussell & Luke Hart are appointed to draw one for him if they shall think proper after due Inquiry into his Circumstances, and make Returns to the next Monthly Meeting's



11 month  
1766

Report of  
Overseers  
of yearly  
meeting

Meeting  
granted  
in Allen's  
Neck

The friends Appointed Overseers at the yearly Meeting, Report that they attended Agreeable to appointment & discovered nothing but what was in a degree orderly, and they think that friends Care in that Respect answers a Good Purpose — This Meeting Grants the friends Living in Allen's Neck the Liberty to hold a Meeting down there at some friends house for four Months to Come on first days, Excepting the first day preceding the Monthly Meeting in Each Month, and Daniel Cornell and Prince Allen are Appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting, and to Make Report to this Meeting at the Expiration of the four Months —

12 Mo  
1766

Timothy  
Howland  
answer

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1766, the Representatives are Paul Rufell and David Smith Present:

Timothy Howland and Lucey Allen appeared for their Answer which was, that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the overseers for that Purpose and Daniel Cornell and Thomas Hicks are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath Collected £ 11 - 7 - 8 old tenor, and the Treasurer has paid Timothy Rufell the above sd Sum

Tim Rufell  
paid

Rachel  
Soule's  
Ct

Humphry Smith and Jonathan Hupsey Report that they have Inspected into the Circumstances of Rachel Soule and they find due to her by Bond and Note £ 12 - 16 - 9 Lawful money

John Gibson  
Certificate  
referred

The friends Appointed to draw a Certificate for John Gibson and his Children have drawn one for them, but things not appearing Quite Clear, the signing of it is referred to the next Monthly Meeting

month  
1766

William  
Smith  
Certificate  
referred

Smith hath  
a new paper  
which is accepted

representatives

overseers of  
the poor

Case of  
Zephaniah  
Anthony

overseers  
inform

James  
Allen

John Williams and his wife have Produced a Remissal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, which this Meeting accepts;

Stephen Smith hath Produced and Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends, which this Meeting accepts;

Caleb Rufell, Joseph Smith, William Barker are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

The overseers of the poor hath Brought an Account for doing for the poor to the amount of £ 3 - 6 - 6 old Tenor, which this Meeting allows;

The Case of Zephaniah Anthony is referred.

The Overseers Inform that James Allen hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication, for which they have Labored with him, and he declines to Make Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Caleb Rufell & Job Rufell to Labour with him & Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answered This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, and Sent it up with the Answers to the Queries by the Representatives



first mo. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 1<sup>st</sup> of  
 1767 the first Month 1767, the Representatives are Samuel  
 Smith and William Anthony jr: present  
 Daniel Cornel and Tho: Nichs Report that they attended  
 the Marriage of Timothy Howland & Lucey Allen, which  
 was Consumated in Good order,  
 The signing of <sup>John</sup> Sissons Certificate is Refered to next Monthly  
 Meeting;  
 The friends Appointed to Labour with James Allen  
 Report that he declines to Condemn his offence to friends  
 Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph  
 Gifford and Job Ruppell to draw a paper of denial Against  
 said Allen and also Inform him of the Conclusion of this  
 Meeting and Labour with him as they shall find free-  
 dom, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting,  
 Report that neither of them attended by Reason of the  
 Severity of the weather; but we Received an Epistle from  
 from the Quarterly Meeting which hath been Read and  
 well accepted,  
 Shadrach Dennis Requests to be taken under friends  
 Care, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Abraham  
 Tucker and Deleg Smith to Inquire into the young mans  
 Life and Conversation, and also take an opportunity of  
 Solid Conference with him and Make Report to the next  
 Monthly Meeting; -

Tim How  
lands  
marriage

John Sisson  
Case

James Allen  
Case

Report from  
Quarterly  
meeting

S. Dennis  
Request

month  
1767

Ruppell  
received

Anthony  
life paper  
accepted

Testimony  
of R. Gidley

2 month  
1767

James Allen  
deceased

Shadrach  
Dennis  
Case

The women friends Inform that they have Minuted Elizabeth  
 Ruppell wife of Ysaac Ruppell under friends Care, which this  
 Meeting Concur with;  
 Zephaniah Anthony and his wife have Given in a Paper to this  
 Meeting Signifying their Sorrow for their falling into the  
 Sin of fornication, which hath lain on file for Some Months  
 and now friends being fully Satisfied, do accept of a Paper  
 Provided they Cause it to be read at the Close of a first  
 day Meeting for worship, between this and the next Month-  
 ly Meeting they being present, and also Return said Paper  
 to the next Monthly Meeting;

This Meeting hath Given forth a Testimony Concerning  
 Our Well Esteemed friend Elizabeth Gidley deceased  
 which was Signed in this Meeting by a Number of friends

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth  
 the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> months 1767 The Representatives are Paul  
 Ruppell and William Anthony jr: present;  
 This Meeting hath Signed a Paper of denial Against James  
 Allen Son of Francis Allen for Fornication, and the Clerk  
 is ordered to read a Paper at the Close of a first day, mee-  
 ting for worship, between this and the next Monthly Meeting  
 and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Conversation of  
 Shadrach Dennis, and to Confer with him on his Request  
 to Come under friends Care, not being able to Make a Satisfac-  
 tory Report, therefore they are still Continued in the same  
 Service, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting



2 month  
1767

*Certificate for John Pison*  
This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for John Pison to the Monthly Meeting of Oblong -  
*Zephaniah Anthony's and his wife's Paper*  
Zephaniah Anthony's and his wife's Paper hath been read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting  
And is as followeth; (viz)

*Z. W. Anthony's Confession*  
To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth  
Esteemed friends - - -  
These are to Inform that we were Educated and Married amongst friends, But we acknowledge that we have fallen into the Sin of Fornication, as appears evident by the Birth of our Child, the which Sin we do condemn and are sorrowful for, But we hope the Almighty will forgive us, and we desire friends would so far pass it by as to suffer us still to remain under your Care  
Given under our hands the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> Month 1766 -  
Zephaniah Anthony  
Waite Anthony

*Lam Smith's paper accepted*  
Whereas Samuel Smith hath given in a Paper to this Meeting some Months ago, and not accepted by reason of his Absence, Therefore this Meeting being satisfied do accept of sd Paper, Provided that he Cause it to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present, and Return sd Paper to the Clerk -  
This Meeting doth Appoint Deleg Smith, Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith, William Anthony jun & Job Russell to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes, to see what part they shall think Proper to be put on Record and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*Minutes to be revised*

month  
1767

*Edith Wing's paper accepted*  
Edith Wing hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of fornication, which this Meeting doth accept with the Provisional that she Cause sd Paper to be read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship she being present, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting and Return the Paper to the Clerk - - -

*William Sanford & Jonathan Hussey*  
William Sanford & Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer & Report to the next Monthly Meeting

*John Potter, Prince Allen & Joseph Gifford*  
This Meeting doth Appoint John Potter, Prince Allen & Joseph Gifford overseers of the Door for one year -

*Abigail Hathaway's certificate*  
This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Abigail Hathaway to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich

*At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Month 1767*  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Month 1767, the Representatives are Daniel Cornell and Samuel Smith Present, Thomas Aplin and Rebecca Russell Declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Thomas Hicks jun and Samuel Smith are Appointed to Inquire into the young man's Clearness respecting Marriage, and Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -  
James Allen's Paper of sd denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting -  
and is as followeth - - -

*James Allen's paper*  
Whereas James Allen Son of Francis Allen & Rebecca his wife deceased, having been Under the Care of this Meeting yet he has so far gone astray from our Profession as to fall into the Prophanous Sin of Fornication, and Friends having Proceeded their Labour of Love with him in order for his Recovery, but our

*James Allen's paper*



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1767

Labour of Love, not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore we being desirous that the Truth of our Holy Profession may be preserved from the Prejudice of such Infirmities do give this forth a Publick Testimony against him, disowning the B. James from being one of our Society, and from being under our Care, Yet sincerely desire if it be Consistent with Divine Pleasure, that he may yet find a place of Repentance, & by an Unfeigned Repentance acknowledgement of the Error of his way Return to the way of Truth.

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1767 By

Shadrach Dennis Case

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Life & Conversation of Shadrach Dennis, and also to take an opportunity of Conference on his Request to Come under friends Care not being able to make a Satisfactory Report, therefore the Case is referred under their Care until the next Monthly Meeting and then to make Report,

Lemuel Smith's Paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows

Lemuel Smith's Confession

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 21<sup>st</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1766  
Loving Friends, whereas I through the Information of the Lord one I have fallen into the Sin of Fornication, for which Evil Action I Can Truly say I am Sincerely sorry for, and pray that God may forgive me and all my others Sins, and that you would pass it by, so as to let me remain under your Care for I have a great Value for Friends, so no more at present but I remain your well Wishing Friend

Lemuel Smith

month 1767

The Committee Appointed to peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes Report that they have perused B. Minutes and left them with Samuel Smith to Record

Edith wings paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be holden at Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1767

Well Esteemed friends, these may Inform altho' I have had my Education among friends, yet through unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Sin of Fornication, which is known by my having a Child so soon after Marriage, which Sin I condemn and am sorry for and pray God to forgive me and friends pass it by so far as to let me remain under their Care

Wings's Confession

The friends Appointed to Adjust accounts with the Treasurer, Report that there is Remaining in the Treasury 7 Gold Tenor

Anna Gifford and to Sandwich

Anna Gifford Inform this Meeting that she hath a Concern on her Mind to Visit Sandwich Quarterly Meeting, which this Meeting Consents with

order to pay Antipas Hathway

Antipas Hathway hath sent an Account for Mending our Meeting House windows to the Amount of £0 1 6<sup>1/2</sup> Lawful Money which this Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay, and also to pay the overseers of the poor £3 6 6 Old Tenor

complaint against Thos Wilcox

This Meeting hath Collected £7 18 3 Old Tenor  
The Overseers Inform this Meeting that Thomas Wilcox hath Married out of the unity of friends, for which they have Laboured with him and he declines to Make friends Satisfaction therefore Job Case and Daniel Prusell are Appointed to Labour further with him and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

complaint against Helder Storum

The Overseers Inform that Helder Storum hath been in the practice of Gaming for which they have Laboured with him, and he declines to Make friends Satisfaction therefore Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker are Appointed to Labour with B. Storum and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting



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1767

The Queries have have been read and Answered in this Meeting and this Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting which is sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives with the Answers to the Queries

Representatives Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith and William Mofset are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1767

The Representatives are Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith present

The friends Appointed to Inquire into Thomas Athin's Clearenes Report that upon Inquary they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage

Thomas Athin and Rebecca Ruspell appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose, and Humphry Smith and Thomas Hicks are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Timothy Ruspell and Hannah Briggs declared their intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Humphry Smith and Jonathan Husey are appointed to inspect into Timothy's Clearenes Respecting Marriage and Conversation and also they are appointed to see that the widows Estate be settled so that her Children be not Brought by her Marriage and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Conversation of Shadrach Dennis Make a Satisfactory Report therefore this meeting Accepted minutes him under friends Care

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid the Overseers of the poor according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting The friends Appointed to treat with Thomas Wilcox not making a satisfactory Report they are still Continued in the same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to Treat with Holder Hocum that they have not discharged themselves in that Respect, therefore they are still Continued in the same Service and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Except Wm. Mofset, and he sent an Excuse which was Accepted, and they have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and well Accepted

The friends Appointed Overseers of the Meeting held in Allen's Neck Report that they have attended according to Appointment and saw nothing but that it was Carried on in Good order

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1767 the Representatives are Caleb Ruspell & Daniel both present

Humphry Smith & Jonathan Husey Make Report that they have Made Inquary into Timothy Ruspells Clearenes Respecting Marriage and Conversation and do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage, and they also Report that the widows Estate is settled Agreeable to Good order

Timothy Ruspell and Hannah Briggs appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose, and Humphry Smith and Jonathan Husey are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to see Thomas Athin's and Rebecca Ruspells Marriage Consumated Make Report that they attended the Marriage which was Accomplished in Good order

The friends Appointed to treat with Thomas Wilcox Report that they have not had a convenient Opportunity to discharge themselves therefore they are still Continued in the same Service until opportunity



5 Month  
1767

affords and then to make Report

D. K. Span  
denies

The women friends Inform that they have denied Thee Spons  
Daughter of Joseph Basher for Marrying out of the Unity  
of friends which this Meeting concurs with

Phoebe  
Allens  
paper  
accepted

Thee Allen hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning  
her falling into the Sin of Fornication which this Meeting  
accepts Provided The Cause said paper to be Read publickly  
at the Close of a first day meeting for worship between this &  
the next Monthly Meeting she being present and Make  
Action of P. paper to P. Meeting

Holder  
Stocum  
Case

The friends Appointed to treat with Holder Stocum Report  
that he declines to Condemn his offences to Satisfaction therefore  
his Case is Refer'd under the same Care as heretofore and they  
to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

B. Taber  
Requests  
Certificate

Benjamin Taber Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting  
of Nantucket, Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage &  
Conversation therefore Joseph Gifford and Joseph Ruspell are  
Appointed to Make proper Inquiring and to draw one for him  
if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

P. Ruspell  
affair

Whereas P. Ruspell hath Removed out of the verge of Cab  
set Monthly Meeting where this Meeting apprehends she  
belongs, and makes Application for Assistance, therefore  
Joseph Tucker & Humphry Smith are Appointed to Inform  
Cabset meeting that this Meeting desires them to take Care  
of her and P. Con. to make Report to the next Monthly  
Meeting

6th mo:  
1767

At a Monthly Meeting met the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo: 1767  
The Representatives are Daniel Ruspell and John Williams  
present

The yearly Meeting being now in being, for which P. Reason  
This Meeting Adjourns to the 22<sup>d</sup> Instant,

At a Monthly Meeting Met and held by Adjournment  
the 22<sup>d</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo: 1767

The Representatives being Called and both present

month  
1767

Humphry Smith and Jonathan Stapey Report that they attended  
the Marriage of Timothy Ruspell and Hannah Briggs which was  
Consumated in Good Order

Thee Allen's Paper hath been read According to the Appoint-  
ment of last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

Allens  
paper

To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the  
20<sup>th</sup> day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1767

Dear Friends  
I through unwatchfulness have fallen into the Sin of Fornica-  
tion which Appears by my having a Child So soon after Mar-  
riage, for which I am heartily Sorry and do Condemn, hoping  
that God will forgive me, and friends pass it by So far as to let  
me Remain under their Care, Phebe Allen

Holder  
Stocum

The Case of Holder Stocum is Refer'd under the same Care as heretofore

B. Taber

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for Benj<sup>n</sup> Taber to the Monthly  
Meeting of Nantucket Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage  
and Conversation

P. Ruspell

The friends Appointed to Treat with Cabset Monthly Meeting on  
behalf of P. Ruspell Report that they have not had an opportunity  
conveniently to discharge themselves, therefore they are still  
Continued on the same Service and to make Report to the next  
Monthly Meeting

The Treasurer

The Treasurer has paid Antipas Hathaway 11/8<sup>d</sup> old Tenner

Queries

The Queries have been Read and Answer'd in this Meeting,  
Deleg Smith, Humphry Smith, Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith  
Caleb Ruspell are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting  
and to present the Answers to the Queries with the Epistle to the  
same, which hath been signed in this Meeting

This Meeting

This Meeting Collected 18-9-3 old Tenner

The Treasurer

The Treasurer has paid Timothy Ruspell five Dollars for  
keeping the Meeting House half a year



7<sup>th</sup> mo: 1767  
Clerk for this day  
H. Slocum  
case

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1767. Called Joseph Smith & Jonathan Massey present William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> & Joseph Cook for this day,

The Case of Holder Slocum is referred to the next Monthly Meeting under the same Care as heretofore, and he is desired to attend meetings more diligently for the future.

To Treat with Cooks  
at meeting

The friends Appointed to Treat with Cooks Monthly Meeting Report that they have not discharged their Trust by reason of some of S<sup>r</sup> friends being unwell therefore 'tis referred till under the next

Report from Quarterly Meeting

Report that they all attended but Humphry Smith and he sent an Excuse which was accepted.

Epistles Received

This Meeting Received an Epistle from the yearly Meeting of London which was read in this Meeting, and the Good and wholesome advice therein recommended to friends. Observation also Received an Epistle of the yearly Meeting of Rhode Island also one from the Quarterly Meeting which were read in this Meeting and kindly Accepted.

8<sup>th</sup> mo: 1767

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1767

The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith both present.

Received

The women friends Inform that they have minuted Rachel Wilbor under their Care which this Meeting concurs with.

Holder Slocum's paper accepted

Holder Slocum hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his being in the Practice of Gaming, which this Meeting accepts provided he Cause S<sup>r</sup> paper to be read Publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for worship be tween this and the next monthly Meeting he being present and Return S<sup>r</sup> Paper to the next monthly Meeting.

Committee

The Committee Appointed to Treat with Cooks Monthly Meeting on the Account of Prose Russell Report that they have discharged their Trust in that Case, and Cooks Meeting hath promised to Give this Meeting an Answer as soon as they can Conveniently

Women friends

The women friends Inform that they have accepted of Eunice Wirbys Acknowledgment for Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting concurs with.

7<sup>th</sup> mo: 1767

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1767 The Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and Samuel Cornel present

David Anthony and Judith Hicks declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and George Smith and Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland are Appointed to Inquire into the young Mans Cleannes Respect-

ing Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting Holder Slocums Paper hath been read According to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting, and here follows

Holder Slocum's paper

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends Next to be held in Dartmouth on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> mo: 1767.

I Esteemed friends, Whereas I through unwatchfulness and by keeping unnecessary Company have fallen into the bad Practice of Gaming, which I am heartily Sorry for and do Condemn hoping God will forgive me, and I desire friends would pass it by so far as to let me remain under their Care, hoping I shall walk more Agreeable for the times to come

Holder Slocum

Whereas this Meeting hath Received an Answer from Cooks Monthly Meeting

Whereas this Meeting hath Received an Answer from Cooks Monthly Meeting Respecting Prose Russell, which this Meeting apprehends is too short and not to Satisfaction, therefore Joseph Russell William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> & Samuel Smith are Appointed to Make Sufficient Inquiry to know whether said Prose Russell properly belongs to Cooks Meeting or not, and if upon Inquiry they see think her to belong to Cooks Meeting, to Inform them that this Meeting desires them to Appoint a Committee to Confer with them on the Case and Make a final Settlement between the two Meetings and if they cannot Agree to a Settlement, then for the two Committees to Chuse friends to Settle the Case belonging to some other Monthly Meeting.



9 month 1767

Overseers appointed

This Meeting hath Appointed Daniel Cornel, Luke Hart, Paul Russell, Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland, William Anthony jr, Samuel Smith Overseers for the year ensuing

Conclude to repair the meeting house

This Meeting hath Cometo a Conclusion to Repair our Meeting House, therefore George Smith, Daniel Russell & Timothy Russell are Appointed to Consider what they shall think necessary to be done and also to Employ some body to do said business and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Answers to Queries and Epistle sent by Representatives to the friends

The Queries have been read & Answer'd in this Meeting and we have signed an Epistle and sent it up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives who are as follows Deley Smith Abraham Tucker, Nicholas Howland, Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland 2<sup>d</sup> who are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

10. mo. 1767

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1767 The Representatives are David Smith and Jonathan Hussey present

The friends appointed to Inspect into the Clearness of David Anthony's Report that they have Made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

David Anthony's answer

David Anthony and Judith Hicks appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose and George Smith and Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland 2<sup>d</sup> are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good Order, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Shadrac Dennis's proposal of marriage

Shadrac Dennis and Abial Hussey declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Wm Sanford and David Smith are Appointed to Inquire into the young man's Clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

9 month 1767

Committee appointed

The Committee Appointed to Repair our Meeting House Report that they are on their way to accomplish sd business therefore they are desired to do it as soon as may be and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Quarterly Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Agreeable to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and kindly Accepted

Benj<sup>a</sup> Chase's Certificate

Benj<sup>a</sup> Chase Requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Swansey Certifying his Clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation therefore Paul Russell, Timothy Russell and Luke Hart are Appointed to make proper Inquiry and draw a Certificate for him if they think Proper and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Joseph Proctor's Certificate

Whereas Joseph Proctor hath Presided among us for a Considerable time & Agreeable to Good order hath Produced a few Lines by way of Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket Signifying his being a friend in Unity among them which this Meeting Accepts

Yearly Meeting

Daniel Russell, Timothy Russell, Jonathan Hussey, Thomas Hicks jr, David Smith are Appointed to have the Oversight of the Galleries and other Seats to Endeavour to prevent any Indecency that may happen at our yearly Meeting, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Henry Russell's offence

Henry Russell hath Married out of the Unity of friends and hath been Labour'd with by the Overseers, and he declines to Condemn his offence to Satisfaction, therefore Jonathan Hussey and Barzillai Tucker are Appointed to Treat face to face with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

11. mo. 1767

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> Mon: 1767 The Representatives are William Sanford and Jonathan Hussey both present

The friends Appointed to Inquire into Shadrac Dennis's Clearness Report that they have Made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage



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Shadrach Dennis and Abial Hussey Appeared for their  
 Answer which was that they might proceed to take each  
 other in Marriage in some convenient time between this  
 and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers  
 for that purpose, and William Sanford and David Smith are  
 appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order, &  
 make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to see David Anthony and Judith Hicks  
 Marriage Consumated in Good order Report that they attended  
 the Marriage, which was Accomplished in Good order

The friends Appointed to Repair our Meeting House Report that they  
 have Repaired the House Agreeable to Appointment, and have  
 brought in their Bill which is two pound Sterling Money

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for Benj<sup>n</sup> Chase to take  
 Monthly Meeting of Swazey, Certifying his Cleanness Respec-  
 ting Marriage and Conversation

Our friends William Hunt and Tho<sup>s</sup> Thornbrough have Visited  
 this Meeting with their Certificates from the monthly Meeting  
 held at New-garden in Rowan County North Carolina the  
 25<sup>th</sup> of the month 1767 which have been Read to Good Satisfac-  
 tion and their Visit kindly Accepted

The friends Appointed to Treat with Henry Russell for Mar-  
 rying out of the Unity of friends Report that they Laboured with  
 him, and he neglects to make friends Satisfaction for his offence  
 Therefore this Meeting being Tender of him do Refer the matter under  
 the Care of Peleg Smith & he to Treat with him as he shall find  
 freedom and Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Committee Appointed to have the oversight of the people that  
 they behave orderly at our yearly Meeting Report that they all  
 attended according to Appointment and saw nothing but what  
 was tolerable orderly

The friends living in Allen's Neck Request Liberty to hold a Meeting  
 there four Months from now on first days Excepting the day pre-  
 sent the Monthly Meeting in each Month which this Meeting Grants  
 and do Appoint Daniel Cornell and Philip Allen and Prince Allen  
 to have the oversight of the same and they to make Report to  
 the Monthly Meeting at the Expiration of 3<sup>rd</sup> 4 Months

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This Meeting Adjourns to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour in forenoon  
 This Meeting being well according to Adjournment this 23<sup>rd</sup> of the mo: 1767  
 The Representatives being Called, Jonathan Hussey present  
 Whereas William Hunt and Tho<sup>s</sup> Thornbrough from New-garden in North  
 Carolina, and Aaron Veal from the Nine partners, have Visited several  
 Meetings in these parts and being About to Return Home This Meeting  
 has freedom to Give each of them a Certificate, therefore Abraham Tucker  
 Jonathan Hussey and David Smith are Appointed to draw them and bring them  
 to the Adjournment of this Meeting

This Meeting Adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> Instant after the Meeting of Worship  
 This Meeting being well by Adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1767  
 The Representatives being Called Jonathan Hussey present  
 The Overseers Inform this Meeting that Humphry Smith (son of Humphry)  
 and Holder Hocum have been Concerned in horse Racing, and that  
 said Hocum has lately been in the practice of Gaming, for which  
 the Overseers have Laboured with them but they decline to make friends  
 Satisfaction therefore Jonathan Hussey Thomas Hicks & Barziller Tuc-  
 ker and David Smith, to Treat with them and also to advise them to  
 be more frequent in attending Meetings

This Meeting hath signed Three Certificates, One for W<sup>m</sup> Hunt, one  
 for Thomas Thornbrough and one for Aaron Veal (The Overseers Inform that  
 James Russell hath suffered too much loss by his Tavern, which tends to bring a reproach on Truth, that  
 some Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker are appointed to labour with him to make Report next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1767  
 The Representatives are William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith  
 both present  
 William Sanford and David Smith Report that they attended the  
 Marriage of Shadrach Dennis and Abial Hussey according to  
 Appointment, which was Consumated in Good order

Peleg Smith Reports that he spoke with Henry Russell Concerning his  
 disorderly Marriage, and he desires friends to wait a while longer  
 with him, therefore his Case is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting  
 under the Care of Thomas Hicks &  
 The friend Appointed to Treat with Humphry Smith (son of Humphry)  
 and Holder Hocum Report that they have Laboured with them  
 and that Humphry Smith desires friends to wait a while longer  
 Report that Holder Hocum declines to make friends Satisfaction and does  
 not desire friends to wait any longer on him, therefore this Meeting



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both Conclude to deny him and do Appoint Daniel Cornel, Samuel Smith and Wm Anthony jun to draw a Paper of Denial Against him and to Inform him of the Conclusion of this Meeting and bring 3 Papers to the next Monthly Meeting

at night of the  
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12th month  
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Dan Russell  
to inform  
of the  
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meeting

The Friends Appointed to Labour with Daniel Russell for allowing too Much Liberty in his Taverer Report that they have discharged themselves in that respect, and it is the sense and judgment of this Meeting that he throw up Selling Spirituous Liquor

This Meeting hath Collected £8-10-8 old Tenor

This Meeting Adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> day of this Instant at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour in the fore noon

This Meeting being met by Adjournment this 28<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1767, The Representatives being Called Wm Anthony jun and Samuel Smith present

This Meeting Adjourns to Tomorrow after the Meeting of worship

This Meeting being met by Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1767

The Representatives being Called Wm Anthony jun and Samuel Smith Both present

answers will  
be sent  
up by  
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representatives

The Queries have been read and Answered in this Meeting, and the answers with the Epistle which hath been read and signed in this Meeting, Caleb Russell, Benj<sup>d</sup> Howland, Wm<sup>d</sup> & Nicolas Howland are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and make Report to the Next Monthly Meeting

This Meeting hath Collected £9-17-6 old Tenor

This Meeting Adjourns to the first fourth day in next month after the Meeting of worship

This Meeting being met by Adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1768

The Representatives being Called both present

a debt is  
pay  
for

The Overseers of the poor hath brought an Account to this Meeting for doing for Stephen Wilcox which is £3-10-8 Old Tenor which this Meeting allows and do order the Treasurer to pay the same to David Briggs, which he saith he hath paid accordingly

to the  
monthly  
meeting

John Williams and his wife Requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, therefore Joseph Tuckwell and the womens Committee Appointed to make proper Inquiring and Inquiring Certificate for them if they think proper and draw a Certificate for them if they think proper and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

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George  
Smith  
jun

George Smith jun hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Signifying his falling into the Sin of Fornication and Condemning the Sin thereof, which this Meeting Accepts, Provided he Cause 3 Papers to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting he being present and Make Return of said paper to the next Monthly Meeting

At a  
monthly  
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18<sup>th</sup>

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the first Month 1768 The Representatives are Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks, 2 and Bazillai Tucker present

Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks  
reports

Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks reports that he hath spoke with Henry Russell and that he desired longer time to Endeavour to Make friends Satisfaction, therefore his Case is Refered under the same Care as heretofore

The  
case  
concerning  
Humphy  
Smith

The Case Concerning Humphy Smith Son of Humphy is Refered under the Care of Samuel Smith, and he to Make Report in soon as opportunity will afford

This  
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signed

This Meeting hath signed a paper of Denial Against Holder Slown and Wm Anthony jun is Appointed to Read 3 Papers at the End of a first day Meeting for worship between this and the next Monthly Meeting, and Return 3 paper to 3 Meeting

John  
Craw  
hath  
given

John Craw hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his Marrying out of the Unity of friends which this Meeting Accepts

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the friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read & kindly accepted, The friends Appointed to draft a Certificate for John Williams Report that all things are not Quite Clear therefore the same friends are Continued for the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

George  
Smith  
jun  
his  
paper

George Smith jun his Paper hath been Read According to order of last Monthly Meeting & Returned to this Meeting, which is as follows

To  
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monthly  
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Dartmouth

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth - Whereas I George Smith jun having been Educated among friends but through Unwashedfulness so far gave way to the Enemy as to fall into the Sin of Fornication which appears by my wife hawking a Child so soon after



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After Marriage, Now these are to Testify to all whom it may Concern, that I am heartily sorry for the Above said Evil, and to Condemn the same, with all other My outgoings, hoping God will forgive me my offences and Receive me into favour, and I desire friends so far to pass them by as to let me remain under their Care Given forth this 10<sup>th</sup> day of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1767 by your friend  
George Smith jr

Step Willcox  
Case

The friends Appointed some time past to have the Care of Stephen Willcox's Affairs Respecting his discharging his debts. Make Report that he has not discharged them all yet, and this Meeting thinks proper to discharge Daniel Ruppell he being one of the Com<sup>tee</sup>, and to Appoint Joseph Gifford and Paul Ruppell to join the afore<sup>d</sup> Committee to have the whole oversight of Stephen Willcox's afore mentioned Circumstances

2<sup>d</sup> mo  
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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1768. The Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr and Samuel Smith both present

Daniel  
Ruppell  
proposed  
of marriage

Daniel Ricketson and Rebecca Ruppell declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Daniel Cornel and Tho<sup>s</sup> Mich<sup>ls</sup> are appointed to Inquire into the young man's Carnes<sup>s</sup> Respecting Marriage and Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Th<sup>s</sup> Ruppell  
disowned

Whereas Henry Ruppell hath Married out of the Unity of friends, and he disregarding their Labour, therefore for the Bearing of Truth this Meeting do deny the said Henry Ruppell from being under the Care of this Meeting  
William Anthony jr Reports that he hath Read Holder Sloum's Paper of denial according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and has Returned the same to this Meeting, which is as follows

Th<sup>s</sup> Sloum's  
denial

Whereas Holder Sloum the Son of Holder Sloum deceased and Rebecca his wife, having been under the Care of this Meeting yet through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Testimony of Truth, has so far Deviated from our Religious Profession as to be found in the practice of Gaming, and in Supporting of Horrificing, and also in the neglect of that Indispensable duty

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duty of attending Religious Meetings of Divine worship, And friends having Repeatedly Labour'd with him in Love in order to Shew unto him his Errors and Reclaim him from his outgoings, But he Continuing Obstinate, and not Adhering to our tender advice and Council, Therefore for the preservation of the precious Truth and Friends from the Reproach thereof this Meeting is Concerned to Give this forth as a Testimony Against him, Hereby Publicly disowning him the sd Holder Sloum from being one of our Religious Community, and from under the Care of this Meeting, yet sincerely desiring (if it be Consistant with Divine pleasure) that he may yet Return from the Veil of his ways, and by Sincere Repentance Return to the way of Truth & Salvation. Given forth & Signed in and on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> day of the first month A. D. 1768, by  
Job Ruppell Clerk

John  
Williams  
Case

The friends Appointed to draft a Certificate for John Williams & his wife Report that his affairs are not all settled to Satisfaction, therefore the Case is Referred under the Care of the sd Committee, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Visiting  
of friends

This Meeting hath Made Trial for a Choice of Visitors, and finding the work of Great Importance, but no friend finding the weight of that Service laid on them at present, therefore the Choosing them is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Committee  
to Review  
minutes

Humphrey Smith, Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland & Samuel Smith, Caleb Ruppell and Job Ruppell are Appointed to Review the Monthly Meetings Minutes to see what part they shall think proper to go on Record, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Overseers  
of the poor

John Potter, Joseph Gifford and Prince Allen are Appointed Overseers of the poor for the year ensuing

Joseph  
Tucker  
Case

Joseph Tucker & Humphrey Smith are Added to the former Committee appointed to Confer with Cabot Meeting Respecting Prop<sup>r</sup> Ruppell

Thomas  
Ruppell  
paper

Tho<sup>s</sup> Willcox hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting, Condemning his disorder in Marrying out of the order of friends, which is Referred to next Monthly Meeting under the Care of Job Case and Jonathan Flapsey and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting



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Daniel  
Rusnell  
Case

This Meeting being informed that Daniel Rusnell hath proceeded  
Contrary to the Advice and Judgment of this Meeting in Selling of  
Spiritous Liquor, and this Meeting Preconsidering a former Minute  
Respecting said Rusnell and do think it is rather too Extensive in  
that part which debars him from Selling Spiritous Liquor by the  
Large Quantity, therefore do Reverse that part of R Minute  
Notwithstanding this Meeting Continuing of the same Judgment in Re-  
spect to his Selling Liquor by the small Quantity and do Appoint  
Prince Allen and Thomas Hicks to Labour with him and  
make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21  
of the 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1768 - The Representatives are Tho:  
Hicks and Barzillai Tucker both presents -

The Friends appointed to Enquire into Daniel Richetson's  
Cearness Respecting Marriage and Conversation Report  
that they find nothing to hinder their Proceeding in Marriage

Daniel  
Richetson  
and wife

Daniel Richetson and Rebecca Rusnell Appeared for their  
Answer which was that they might proceed to take each  
other in Marriage in some convenient time between this  
and the next Monthly Meeting and Joseph Gifford and Job  
Rusnell are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in  
Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Benj Wing  
proposed  
of marriage

Benjamin Wing of Sandwich and Pease Gifford declared their  
intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the  
next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, The W Wing  
having Produced a Certificate Certifying his Cearness Respecting  
Marriage & Conversation which is Accepted, and aforesaid  
advised his Parents Consent -

Enquiring  
visitors  
omitted

Enquiring of Visitors was referred to this Meeting, and no friend  
presenting the weight of that Service laid upon them at present  
Therefore this Meeting thinks fit to Omit any further Trial  
in that Matter -

minutes  
perused

The friends appointed to Peruse the Monthly Meetings Minutes  
Report that they have discharged their Trust in that Respect

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Thomas  
Wilcox

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The Committee appointed to Confer with Cabset Monthly Meeting  
Respecting Rose Rusnell Report that they have had several Confer-  
ences on that Account, but could not come to an Accomodation  
without Submitting the Case to Friends of another Monthly Meeting  
and have Made Choice of Edward Upton, Philip Chase and  
William Buffinton whose Judgment is as followeth -

Cabset the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1768 -

To the two Committees of the Monthly Meetings of Dartmouth  
We the Subscribers by your Appointment, have heard your  
Allegations and Considered them weightily, and upon the whole  
our Judgment is that Donaganset Meeting be at two thirds of  
the Charge that may come by Rose Rusnell for the future  
and Cabset the one third part for the future

Edward Upton  
Philip Chase  
William Buffinton

The Friends appointed to Treat with Thomas Wilcox Report  
that he desires one Month longer to Endeavour to make friends  
Satisfaction, Therefore the Case is Referred under the same Care  
as heretofore, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly  
Meeting -

The Friends appointed to Oversee the Meeting, in Allenrecht,  
Report that they have attended the Meeting, according to  
Appointment which was orderly and to Satisfaction -

The Queries have been Read & Answered in this Meeting, and an  
Affidavit signed and sent to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representa-  
tives who are Caleb Rusnell, Nicholas Howland and William  
Barber who are to present the same and to make Report to  
the next Monthly Meeting -



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The Case  
of Daniel  
Russell

The Friends Appointed to Labour with Daniel Russell Report that they have Laboured with him and he declines to Retract his Proceedings in Selling of Spirituous Liquor And this Meeting having been Informed from time to time of the undue Liberty that Daniel Russell Suffers in his Tavern, which tends to bring a Reproach on Truth and Friends, his House not being in a fit Place to keep a Tavern in because of the Great Resort of Town's people Therefore do Appoint John Potter, Prince Allen and Thomas Hicks 2 to Labour with him for the above said disorder and to desist from keeping Tavern and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Case of  
John Williams  
Jesuit

This Meeting hath Collected £9-9-9 Old Tenor John Williams and Wifes Certificate not drafted by the same Reason as heretofore which is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> mo.  
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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> Month 1768. The Representatives are David Smith and Jonathan Husey both Present

Benj Wings  
answer

Benj<sup>l</sup> Wings & Deave Gifford appeared for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that Purpose, and Joseph Tucher and Joseph Mosher are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

David Allen  
propose  
of marriage

David Allen and Hannah Picketson declared their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait until next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Caleb Russell & Job Russell are Appointed to Inspect into the young mans Cleanness respecting Marriage & Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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Joseph Gifford and Job Russell Report that they attended the Marriage of Daniel Picketson and Rebecca Russell which was Consumated in Good order

Thomas Wilcox hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication which is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting under the same Care as heretofore The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they two of them attended According to Appointment & the other sent a reasonable Excuse which was ~~not~~ Accepted, and they have Produced an Epistle from the Meeting which hath been read and kindly accepted

The Friends Appointed to Labour with Daniel Russell Report that he declines to make friends Satisfaction, Therefore Joseph Tucher Caleb Russell and Daniel Cornell are Appointed to let him know the mind of this Meeting that is if he do not make friends Satisfaction he may Expect to be desired, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Treasurer hath paid Timothy Russell the whole of his demand on this Meeting, and also Daniel Russells demand, which is £2-2- Lawful Money

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for John Williams & his wife to Sandwich Monthly Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> mo.  
1768

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1768. The Representatives are Thomas Hicks & Benjamin Tucher both Present

Caleb Russell & Job Russell Report that they have made sufficient Inquiry into David Allens Cleanness in Respect to Marriage and Conversation & do not find anything to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

David  
Allen's  
propose  
of marriage

David Allen & Hannah Picketson appeared for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose



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and Caleb Russell and Job Russell are Appointed to See their Marriage Consumated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
Joseph Tucker & Joseph Mashee Report that they attended the Marriage of Benj<sup>r</sup> Whig and Pease Gifford which was Consumated in Good order.

Benj<sup>r</sup> Whig marriage

Care of Tho<sup>s</sup> Wilcox

The Care of Daniel Russell

The Case of Tho<sup>s</sup> Wilcox is Referred under the same Care as heretofore and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
The friends Appointed to Inform Daniel Russell of the Sense of this Meeting Report that they have discharged their Trust in that Respect, and that he declines to desist from keeping of Tavern until his year is up that he has taken out Licenses to sell Liquor and also Daniel Russell hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting which is nowise to Satisfaction, therefore his Case is Referred at the Request of his Brother John Russell, and he to Inform him how his Paper was received, and also to Labour with <sup>him</sup> as he shall find freedom and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Francis Notch his Certificate

Francis Notch Son of Joseph Notch hath Removed into the verge of this Meeting, and hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket which hath been read & accepted whereas the Committee Appointed to Give a List of those friends

Rachel Soule's affair

living at the Eastward Side of Quisnet River report that they have Given in Rachel Soule to Sandwich Monthly Meeting which they decline to accept, therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Humphrey Smith, Job Russell, William Mashee & Prince Allen to Join with R. Com. to Confer with Sandwich Monthly Meeting on that account, and also to Make final Settlement about the R Rachel Soule in behalf of this Meeting & they to Make report to the next monthly Meeting.

6. Mo<sup>r</sup> 1768

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1768, The Representatives are Caleb Russell & David Smith both present

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Parnabas Kirby & Elisabeth Allen declared their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage & were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Philip Allen and Nicolas Howland are Appointed to Inspect into the young Mans Cleareness Prospecting Marriage & Conversation & Make Report to the next monthly Meeting

David Allen marriage

Tho<sup>s</sup> Wilcox

Make Certificate

Confer with Sandwich Meeting Rachel Soule

Our esteemed friends

Caleb Russell & Job Russell Report that they attended the Marriage of David Allen & Hannah Pickettson & that it was Consumated in Good order  
The friends Appointed to have the Care of Tho<sup>s</sup> Wilcox Prospecting Receiving his paper that he gave into this Meeting some months past Report that he declines to attend Meetings for Proligious worship therefore this Meeting Can not find freedom to accept his paper, and do Appoint Abraham Tucker to Join the former Committee to Labour farther with him for his several disorders and draw a paper of denial against him if he Gives them no Satisfaction, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Daniel Russell hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his former disorder in Indulging too Much Liberty in his Tavern which this Meeting accepts, and it is the desire of this Meeting that he would desist from keeping a Tavern after the year is expired that he has engaged for, and it is Recommended that the overseers have a particular Inspection over him in his Conduct Prospecting his Tavern  
The Committee Appointed to Treat with Sandwich Monthly Meeting Prospecting Rachel Soule Report that they have had a Conference with said Meeting, and that they have Appointed a Com. to Confer with them, therefore they are Continued in the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Our esteemed friends, Thomas Conclon, Aaron Lancaster and Joshua Shearman hath Visited this Meeting with their Prospective Certificates, The first from Chester County in the Province of Pennsylvania bearing date the 11<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo<sup>r</sup> 1768



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The second (viz Aaron Lancaster) from the Purchase in the County of Westchester in the Province of New York whose Certificate bears date the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1768 - The first third from the Nine Partners in dutches County in A Province of New York bearing date the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1768 - all of which we read in this Meeting and their Visets well accepted The Queries have been read and Answered in this Meeting This Meeting Adjourns to our next youths Meeting after the Meeting of worship -

adjourn

This Meeting being met according to Adjournment the first of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1768 The Representatives being Called both Present -

Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Anthony and Humphry Smith are Appointed to Attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries which have been read & signed in this Meeting and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting William Sanford and Jonathan Huboy are Appointed to adjust accounts with the Treasurer and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

Friends to attend Quarters meeting

Epistle & answers to Queries sent up

To settle with Treasurer

Orders to pay for Tucker

Care of Humphry Smith son of Humphry

This Meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Joseph Tucker one dollar that this Meeting <sup>conferred</sup> some time past - which he has done Accordingly; -  
Whereas Humphry Smith son of Humphry Smith hath been under dealing some time past under the Care of Samuel Smith, who now Inform this Meeting that the sd Humphry Neglects to Make friends Satisfaction Therefore This Meeting doth Appoint Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to Labour farther with him as they may find freedom and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
This Meeting hath Collected £ 6 - 6 - 9 Old Toner

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> Month 1768, The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Thomas Hicks & both Present.

The friends Appointed to Inspect into the Cleareness of Barnabas Kirby Report that they have made Sufficient Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage -

Barnabas Kirby & Elisabeth Allen Appeard for their Answer which was that they Might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that Purpose, and Nicholas Howland & Philip Allen are Appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

William Tripp & Elisabeth Masfield declared their Intentions of Marriage & were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer -

The Committee Appointed to Labour with Thomas Wilcox Report they have not had a Convenient Opportunity to Treat with him, therefore they are Continued in the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting,

The Comtee Appointed to Treat with Sandwich Monthly Meeting Report that they have met with Sandwich Meeting's Committee and Could not settle the Affair, and have Preferred the Matter till next fall, therefore they are Still Continued in the same Service and to Make Report when they have settled the Affair

The Committee Com Appointed to Adjust Accounts with the Treasurer Report they have not done it therefore they are Still Continued in A Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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in Kirby's answer

in Tripp's marriage

in Wilcox's

in Sandwich's

in Treasurer's



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Weston Weston Briggs and his wife have Returned into these parts again and have Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich which hath been Read and Accepted

James James Davis hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich which hath been Read and Accepted

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended According to Appointment and have brought an Epistle from the same but it is not come to hand therefore they are desired to take care and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

Humphrey Humphrey Smith the Sr. hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his Raising Horses and Keeping Loose Company which is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting and he is desired to attend at that time

David David Anthony and his wife have Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning their falling into the sin of Fornication which is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting and Joseph Gifford and Barzillia Tucker are appointed to take an opportunity of discourse with him and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Thomas Thomas Almy Requests to Come under friends Care and Daniel Cornel & Prince Allen are Appointed to Inquire into the young mans Conversation, & take an opportunity of Sollicit Conference and Endeavour to understand if his Motive be from the bottom of True Conviction and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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William William Brown Informs this Meeting that he is About to Remove to Nantucket and desires a Removal Certificate, Therefore Caleb Prusell & Job Prusell are Appointed to draw one for him if they think proper after they have made Sufficient Inquiry into his Life & Conversation and bring it to next Monthly Meeting This Meeting hath Collected £9-13-7 old Tones

The Treasurer has paid Timothy Prusell five Dollars for Keeping the Meeting House half a year

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1768 The Representatives are David Smith and Samuel Smith present William Tripp hath Produced a Certificate from Cohasset Monthly Meeting Certifying his Cleanness in Respect to Marriage and Conversation which hath been read and Accepted

William William Tripp & Elizabeth Masfield Appear for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that Purpose, and Luke Hart & Tom Mosher are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to see Barnabas Kirby & Elizabeth Allen's Marriage Consummated Report that they attended According to Appointment which was Consummated in Good order

The Committee Appointed to Confer with Tho. Wilcox Report that they have had a Conference with him and they desire to have the Matter deferred one Month Longer, which is accordingly under their Care who are to make Report to next Monthly Meeting



8 months  
1768  
Settled  
with  
Treasurer

The friends Appointed to Adjust accounts with the Treasurer Report that they Settled Accounts with him and there Remains £2-2-8 old Tenor in the Treasury

Epistles  
reciev

The Epistle from the last Quarterly Meeting now Came to hand and hath been read and kindly accepted Likewise the London Printed Epistle and one from Philadelphia, and as they Contain a Great deal of Counsel and Good Advice the Contents are earnestly Recommended to friends Notice and Observation

David  
Anthony  
case

The friends Appointed to Confer with David Anthony ~~the~~ make Report that he Gave them Satisfaction but we not having any account from the women the matter is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

Tho Almy

The friends Appointed to Confer with Thomas Almy make a Satisfactory Report and the matter is Still Continued under

Wm  
Brown  
Removal

Their Care who are to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for William Brown to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket

Humph  
Smith 3<sup>d</sup>  
case

This Meeting doth Refer the Case of Humphry Smith the 3<sup>d</sup> under the Care of Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker and they to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

P Russell  
D. Cornell  
dismiss

This Meeting <sup>meeting</sup> Dismisses Paul Russell from having the Care of Stephen Wilcox's affair, and also Dismisses Paul Russell and Daniel Cornell from being Overseers,

Stephen  
Wilcox  
affair

Prince Allen, Benj<sup>o</sup> Howland, Samuel Smith and Burgill's Tucker are added to the former Committee to have the Care of Stephen Wilcox's affair in regard to his paying his debts and they to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19 of the 9th month 1768, The Representatives are Benj<sup>o</sup> Howland & Thomas Hicks 2 both present

Calb  
Macumber  
Bachel  
Wilbour

declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait Till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer

Luke  
Hart &  
William  
Moster

Report that they attended the Marriage of William Tripp & Elizabeth Masfield which was Confirmed in Good order

The  
friends  
Appointed  
to  
Treat  
with  
Tho<sup>s</sup>  
Wilcox

Report that they think best to accept of his Paper therefore this Meeting accepts it accordingly with the Provisional that he Cause a paper to be read at the Close of a first day meeting of worship between this and the next monthly Meeting he being present and Return a Paper to the next monthly Meeting

This  
Meeting  
likewise  
accepts  
of  
David  
Anthony  
&  
his  
wifes  
paper

provided they Cause it to be read at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship they being present and return a paper to the next Monthly Meeting

The  
friends  
Appointed  
to  
Confer  
with  
Thomas  
Almy

on his Request to Come under friends Care, make a Satisfactory Report, Therefore This Meeting doth accept him a Member under friends Care

The  
friends  
Appointed  
to  
have  
the  
Care  
of  
Humphry  
Smith

of 3<sup>d</sup> Report that they think it not best to Receive his paper, and that he desires friends to Refer the Matter one Month longer. Therefore his Case is Referred to under the Same Care as heretofore and they to Make Report to next Monthly Meeting

The  
friends  
Appointed  
to  
have  
the  
Care  
of  
Stephen  
Wilcox's  
affair

in regard to his discharging his debts Report that they are not ready for



9 month  
1768

Paul Russell  
intends a  
Visit

an Answer. therefore the Matter is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting under their Care who are then to make Progress Paul Russell informs this Meeting that he hath it on his Mind to visit some Meetings in the Circuit of the Quarterly Meeting of Sandwich which this Meeting Approves of

Paul Russell  
& Daniel  
Cornel  
approve  
Ministers

This Meeting hath Recommended Paul Russell and Daniel Cornel as Ministers in Unity to the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders at Rhode-Island

overseers  
Clerk

Sube Hart, Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland, William Anthony jr. and Samuel Smith are Appointed overseers for the year ensuing

Proctor  
Certificate

Joseph Storch hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket which hath been read and accepted

answers  
to Queries  
sent up  
Representation  
of the  
Epsistle  
sent

The Queries have been Read in this Meeting and Answered and the Answers sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives who are Paul Russell, Caleb Russell, Nicolas Howland and Jonathan Hassey. This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and sent it up by the Representatives

Exercising  
Foxes  
Journal  
to

Nicolas Howland hath brought an Account to this Meeting for Covering Foxes Journal and Mending the Bellow to to the Amount of four Shillings Lawful Money, which this Meeting Approves, and the Treasurer has paid it by order of the Meeting

This Meeting hath Collected £6-0-9 old Tenor

10 month  
1768

A Monthly Meeting hold in Dartmouth the 7<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1768 The Representatives are David Smith and Benjamin Howland both present

Caleb  
Macomber  
Clerk

Caleb Macomber hath produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Cohasset Certifying his Course & Requesting Marriage & Conversation

9 month  
1768  
Caleb  
Macomber  
Clerk

Caleb Macomber and Rachel Willberr Appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting and Philip Allen and Daniel Cornel are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Thomas Wilcox's Paper hath not been read according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting by Reason of a Mistake therefore it is desired to Cause a Paper to be read between this & the next Monthly Meeting and Return said Paper to S<sup>r</sup> Meeting

David Anthony and his wife's paper hath been read and Return to this Meeting according to the Appointment of last Monthly Meeting and is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth  
These Comes with Sorrow to Inform through weakness and the infirmity of the Adversary, we have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as Appears by our having a Child so soon after Marriage, for which we are heartily and sincerely sorry and do condemn the same Hoping forgiveness from a Almighty God and desire to take the Reproach thereof upon ourselves, and dear friends and the Truth from the same - and desire friends to put us by as to let us remain under their Care

Given forth this 13<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1768 by your friends  
David Anthony  
Judith Anthony

The Committee Appointed to have the Care of Humphrey Smith's Report that they have not had an opportunity with him and that he desires that friends would wait on him one month therefore the Matter is Referred under the same Care as heretofore, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to Assist Stephen Wilcox Report that the Matter Remains not Settled therefore the Case is Referred under the same Care and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment and have produced Epistle from the same which hath been read & hath been accepted



*Lafama Howland received*  
*overses of yearly meeting*  
 The Women's friends inform that they have Minuted Lafama Howland under friends Care, which this Meeting Concurs with Joseph Gifford, William Anthony jr, Bezellia Tucker, Prine Allen, Timothy Russell, Samuel Smith, Jonathan Hussey & John Potter are Appointed to have the oversight of the Gallies and other seats at our yearly Meeting to Endeavour to prevent any Indecency that may be liable to happen at that time and they to Make Report of their Service at the next Monthly Meeting,

11: mo: 1768 } At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21 of the 11<sup>th</sup> mo: 1768. The Representatives are Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> and Samuel Smith both present

*Ealeb Macomber marriage*  
 Daniel Cornel and Philip Allen Report that they attended the Marriage of Caleb Macomber and Rachel Willbore which was Consumated in Good Order Thomas Wilcox's paper hath been read according to the appointment of last monthly Meeting, and is as follows

Dartmouth 18<sup>th</sup> day 4<sup>th</sup> mo: 1768

To the Monthly Meeting of friends—

*Wilcox's Confession*  
 Whereas Through unwatchfulness I fell into the sin of Fornication as Manifestly hath Appeared by my wife having a Child soon after Marriage, for which which I feel I am sorry for, hoping for the future to be more Careful, I beg that God will forgive me for the above sd. Sin and all my misconduct, and friends would pass it by and I remain under their Care, from your friend — Thomas Wilcox

*Hum: Smith Case*  
 Whereas Humphrey Smith the 3<sup>d</sup> some time past hath been in the Practice of Horse racing, and hath been Labour'd with for the same and Neglects to Condemn the above sd. practice to friends satisfaction and since hath spent a great deal of Company, and hath fallen into a Bodily Strife with Sam<sup>l</sup> Macomber jr. Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland

*month 1768*

Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> and William Anthony jr. to confer with him for the afore sd. offences as they shall find freedom and have a paper of denial if he do not give them satisfaction and to Inform him of their Appointment from this Meeting and Make Report to it next Monthly Meeting — The friends Appointed to Assist Stephen Wilcox Report as follows

*Case*  
 Agreeable to Appointment we have made Inspection into the affairs of Stephen Wilcox in regard to his debts (which the Meeting hath long held in suspense) and we think he is very much involved in debt & in low Circumstances, and Neglects the payment of his just debts as appears to us by the Complaints of his Creditors, some of whom appear to be long kept out of their just dues, and he not in a way to discharge them to the Honour and Credit of Friends, and the Reputation we bear, whose care we having seriously and weightily Consider'd the same it is our united sense and Judgment that he ought to pay & satisfy his said Creditors or immediately deliver up his Estate to them, Notifying them Respectively to Come and take it in proportion to their several dues, which Method we have Propos'd by Advising him to Proceed in, and which he now promises immediately to Comply with — Given forth this 21<sup>st</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> mo: 1768 by your friends

Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland  
 Samuel Smith  
 Thomas Hicks  
 Bezellia Tucker

And the afore sd. Comtee are still Continued to see that the said Stephen Wilcox fulfill his Promise and make Report to the Monthly Meeting as soon as the Matter can be Accomplish'd — The Committee Appointed to have the oversight of yearly Meetings several of them Report that they attended the Service to satisfaction and that People behaved tolerably orderly, but several of the Committee hath Neglected to make Report therefore Samuel Smith is appointed to Call on them for the reasons of their Neglect & make Report next Monthly Meeting



11 month  
1768  
meetings  
in Allen's  
Vech  
granted

The friends living in Allen's Vech Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting down there on each first in the four following Months which this Meeting Grants, and do Appoint Philip Allen & Daniel Cornel to see the Meeting Carried on agreeable to Truth and Make Report to the Monthly Meeting at the Expiration of said Time

Meetings  
in Allen's  
Vech  
granted

And the Friends living in Smiths Vech Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting among them on two first days in each Month for the winter season, which this Meeting Grants and they are to hold it on every other first day as comes in Course for the winter season and Bury Howland & Samuel Smith are appointed to see that the said Meeting be hold according to Truth and they to Make Report to the Monthly Meeting at the Expiration of the above said time

2 votes  
Certificate

Whereas our esteemed friend Iphraim Baker hath visited our Meeting and desired our Certificate therefore Joseph Tucker and Buryllia Tucker are appointed to draw one for him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

11 votes  
Certificate

Whereas Humphrey Hocom now resides at Rhode Island and desires a few lines to recommend him to the Monthly Meeting there, therefore Joseph Tucker & Buryllia Tucker are appointed to draw a Certificate for him and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

11 votes  
Certificate

Whereas Joseph Hatch desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his Clearness in respect to Marriage and Conversation, therefore Caleb Russell and Job Russell are appointed to draw one for him if they think proper after they have made sufficient Enquiry in his favor & Clearness, and bring it to next Monthly Meeting

11 votes  
Certificate

The Meeting Appoints Samuel C. Smith to join with Certificate friends to Transcribe the the Book of Discipline as read in they can make Report when it is Accomplish'd

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of the 12th month 1768. The Representatives are David Smith and Buryllia Tucker both present  
Deley Hocom jr. and Lufanna Howland declared their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer and Nicolas Howland & Prince Allen are Appointed to Enquire into Deley Hocom's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

11 votes  
Certificate

And Barnabas Wing and Jane Merikew declared their Intention of Marriage and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer

11 votes  
Certificate

The Friends Appointed to Labour with Humphrey Hocom Report that they have Laboured with him, and that he desires his friends to wait on him one month longer which is Granted, and they still Continued in the same Service and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

11 votes  
Certificate

Whereas three friends were deficient last Monthly Meeting in making Report of their Service in the oversight of the yearly Meeting now make Report that they all attended the Service to pretty Good Satisfaction, and they have a signed the Brethren of their Neglect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting

11 votes  
Certificate

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate directed to the Monthly Meeting of friends held at the Nine partners in the Province of Newyork for our friend Iphraim Baker

11 votes  
Certificate

And this Meeting hath also signed a Certificate for our friend Humphrey Hocom to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his being under the Care of this Meeting, and his Conversation in a Good degree orderly

11 votes  
Certificate

And this Meeting hath also signed a Certificate for Joseph Hatch to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his Clearness in respect to Marriage & Conversation

11 votes  
Certificate

The Queries have been Read and Answered in this Meeting  
This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting



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Representatives

The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting are William Anthony jr, William Mosher, Samuel Smith, and Benjamin Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> and they to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Tim Ruppel paid

This Meeting hath Collected £ 10 - 16 - 8 Old Tones and the Treasurer has paid Timothy Ruppel five Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year according to order

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1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1769 The Representatives are Caleb Ruppel and Jonathan Huprey both Present

Barnabas Wing Certificate

Barnabas Wing hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, Certifying his Cleanness in Respect to Marriage and Conversation which hath been read and accepted

Deleg. from Barnabas Wing's answer

Deleg. Morum jr and Susanna Howland, and Barnabas Wing and Jane Merikew Appeared for their Answers which was that each Couple might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the Overseers for that purpose and Joseph Gifford & Job Ruppel are Appointed to see Deleg. Morum jr and Susanna Howland, Marriage Consummated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, and Joseph Smith and William Mosher are appointed for the same Service with Barnabas Wing & Jane Merikew and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Bartholomew Faber and Mercy Bowditch and Thomas Almy and Deborah Allen

Declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answers and Daniel Cornel & Prine Allen are appointed to wait till ~~the~~ Make Inquiry into Thomas Almy's Cleanness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Mr. Smith's paper

Humphry Smith the 3<sup>d</sup> hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his offences in horse Racing, Gaming

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1769

And in having a Bodily Strife with Samuel Macomber with all the Rest of his Misconduct which is Continued under the Care of William Anthony jr until the next Monthly Meeting

The Friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read & well accepted

Proposals for Printing two Sorts of Primers and a Book of Samuel Fuller's works has been sent down from the Quarterly Meeting Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Caleb Ruppel, Jonathan Huprey W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr, Samuel Smith, Prine Allen Daniel Cornel, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks, William Mosher, Deleg Gifford and Benj<sup>n</sup> Ruppel the 4<sup>th</sup> to Collect Subscriptions for the afore Said Books and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Overseers Inform this Meeting that Thomas Wilcox hath moved out of the verge of this Meeting without a Certificate therefore Humphry Smith Samuel Smith and William Anthony jr are Appointed to draw a Certificate for him and bring bring it to the next Monthly Meeting

The Committee Appointed some time past to settle the affair Respecting Rachell Soule with Sandwich Monthly Meeting's Committee that they have had two Conferences with S<sup>d</sup> Meeting's Committee and that they could not settle that affair therefore the matter is referred to next Monthly Meeting

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1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1769, The Representatives are Samuel Smith and William Anthony jr both Present

Bartholomew Faber hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, Certifying his Cleanness in Respect to Marriage and that he is under the Care of that Meeting and also Signifying his Parents Consent

The Friends Appointed to Inquire into the Cleanness of Thomas Almy Respecting Marriage and Conversation Report that they



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they have made Inquiry and do not find any thing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

Bartholomew Faber and Mercy Bowditch and Thomas Almy and Deborah Allen Appeared for their Answers which was that Each Couple Might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that purpose and Thomas Hicks and Prince Allen are Appointed to see Thomas Almy and Deborah Allen's Marriage Consummated in Good order and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting and Caleb Bupell and Joseph Gifford are Appointed to see Bartholomew Faber and Mercy Bowditch's Marriage Consummated in Good order & Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to see Peleg Hocom's and Lucy Howland's Marriage Consummated Report that they attended the Marriage and that it was Accomplished in Good order

and all the friends Appointed on the same Account with Barnabas Whigan and Jane Merikew Make the like Report that their Marriage was Consummated in Good order

The friends Appointed to Collect Subscriptions for the Printing the Primers and Books Report that they are in the Progress of their Service but have not Accomplished it yet therefore they are still Continued in the same Service and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

The matter Concerning Humphry Smith the 3<sup>d</sup> is Referred to the next monthly Meeting

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for Thomas Wilcox Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Eastport

The Matter Concerning Rachel Soule is Referred to the next monthly Meeting

Humphry Smith, Samuel Smith, Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland, Job Bupell are Appointed to Review the monthly Meeting's Minutes to see what part they may think proper to be put on Record and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Bartholomew Faber and Mercy Bowditch

Peleg Hocom's marriage

Printing the Primers and Books

Thomas Wilcox Certificate

Minutes to be reviewed

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 26<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1769 - The Representatives are Caleb Bupell and Samuel Smith both Present

James Davis & Patience Bupell declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and William Sanford & David Smith are Appointed to Enquire into the ymariy Mard (Cearness) Respecting Marriage and Conversation & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends Appointed to see Tho<sup>s</sup> Almy & Deborah Allen's Marriage Consummated in Good order Report that they both attended the Marriage which was Consummated in good order, and likewise the friends Appointed on the same Account for Bartholomew Faber & Mercy Bowditch make the like Report that their Marriage was Consummated in Good order

The friends Appointed to Collect Subscriptions for Tax's Primers and Fuller's Books Report as followeth they have taken them in as followeth (viz)

	Small Primers	Tax's Primers	Fuller's Books
Caleb Bupell	23	24	21
Prince Allen	22	16	16
Peleg Gifford	12	5	3
Will <sup>m</sup> Mosher	60	24	26
Samuel Cornell	10	5	5
Benj <sup>n</sup> Bupell 4 <sup>th</sup>	41	20	8
Thomas Hicks	11	3	2
Samuel Smith	31	12	6
W <sup>m</sup> Anthony Jun <sup>r</sup>	15	10	00
Jonathan Hubby	6	6	00
Whole of each sort subscribed for	231	126	87



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Hum Smith  
case

The Matter Concerning Humphry Smith Jr. is Referred to the  
under the Care of Joseph Gifford, Wm Sanford & Barzillai Tucker  
and they are desired to visit the young man and make Report  
to the adjournment of this Meeting

The women friends Inform that Dinah Richardson hath Given in a  
Paper to their Meeting, some Months past Condemning her falling  
into the Sin of Fornication, which they have Concluded to accept  
Provided the Cause Paper to be Read Publickly at the Close  
of a first day Meeting for worship The being present, and  
Return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting which this  
Meeting Consurs with

whereas Rachel Soule was set off to Sandwich Monthly  
Meeting some time past, and the Meeting Refusing to accept  
her, and this Meeting having Appointed a Committee to hear  
the Reasons of their Refusal and also to settle the Matter  
Concerning her, and they have some Months past Made Report that  
they have had several Confernces with Sandwich Monthly Meeting  
and could not settle the Matter in Controversy, their Reasons were  
apprehend not being sufficient therefore this Meeting doth Appoint  
a Committee to settle the Matter the best way that they may think  
proper in behalf of this Meeting whose Names are Humphry  
Smith, Dime Allen, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks, Joseph Gifford, James Tucker  
or either two of them and they to make Report to this Meeting  
when they have made full Trial for a Settlement

The overseers of the Poor have brought an Account for some  
for the poor to the amount of £6-11-10 old Tence, and the  
Treasurer has paid the same by the order of this Meeting  
This Meeting hath Collected £8-4-2 old Tence

This Meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant

This Meeting being mett According to Adjournment 29<sup>th</sup> of  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1769 - The Representatives being Called  
both Present -

The Committee Appointed to Review the Meetings Minutes  
Report they have Reviewed & minute, and left them with  
Samuel Smith to be Recorded

Overseers  
of poor  
account

adjourns

mett

minutes  
Reviewed

The Queries have been Read and Answered in this Meeting, and  
This Meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and  
Jonathan Hussey, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks and Wm Parker are Appointed to  
attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to Present the Epistle with  
the Answers to the Querie, & make Report to the next Monthly  
Meeting

The friends Appointed to have the Care of Humphry Smith Jr.  
Report that he Gave them Tolerable Good Satisfaction therefore  
this Meeting Concludes to accept his paper that he gave in to this  
Meeting some Months past if he will Cause it to be Read at the  
Close of a first day Meeting of worship he being present between  
this and the next Monthly Meeting and Return said paper  
to next Monthly Meeting

Choosing of Elders is Proposed to the next Monthly Meeting  
Dime Allen, Joseph Gifford, Barzillai Tucker, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks  
and Caleb Russell are appointed Overseers of the Poor

The friends Appointed to have the Care of the Meetings held in Allen  
Rects and in Smiths Neck Report that they attended the  
Meetings Respectively, which were held to Good Satisfaction

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James Davis  
Clerke

James Davis  
Answer

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the  
17<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> month 1769 - The Representatives are  
David Smith & Barzillai Tucker both Present  
The friends Appointed to Inquire into the Connexions of  
James Davis in Respect to Marriage & Conversation Report  
that they have Made Inquiry & do not find anything to hinder  
his Proceeding in Marriage -  
James Davis & Patience Russell Appeard for their Master  
which was that they might Proceed to take each other in  
Marriage in some convenient time between this & the next  
Monthly Meeting advising with the overseers for that Purpose  
and Wm Sanford & Joseph Gifford are Appointed to see their  
Marriage Consumated in Good order, and make Report to the  
next Monthly Meeting -



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Dinah Nichols  
Paper

Report  
of the  
Judgment  
about  
R. Soule

Dinah Nichols's Paper hath been Read & Return'd to this Meeting according to the Direction of Last Monthly Meeting. The friends Appointed to settle the Controversy between this and Sandwich Monthly Meeting Concerning Rachel Soule, Report that they have settled the Matter by Referring it to Indifferent friends, and their Judgment is that the Said Rachel Soule belongs to this Meeting.

Dinah  
Nicholson's  
Confession

Dinah Nichols's paper Above mentioned is as followeth. To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1768 -  
I esteemed friends, Whereas I through unwatchfulness have fallen into the sin of Fornication which plainly appears by my having a Child, so soon after Marriage & gone contrary to the good order of friends, all which I am sorry for, hoping God will forgive me, and I desire friends would please it by, so far as to Let me Remain under their Care

Dinah Nicholson

Rachel Soule  
affair

Jonathan Hussey & David Smith are Appointed to Make Inquiry to find what Matter belongs to the above sd Rachel Soule and also to settle accounts with her Creditors, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Report from  
Quar meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment, and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and well accepted.

Humphrey Smith the 3<sup>rd</sup> his paper hath been Read Agreeable to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

H. Smith's  
Acknow-  
ledgement

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth.  
Those Comes with sorrow to acknowledge my outgoing in Horse Breeding, Gaming & falling into a badly Strife with Samuel Macomber jr: all which I do heartily & sincerely Condemn, with all other my outgoing, and hoping forgiveness from the Lord, I desire friends so far to pass them by as to let me Remain under your Care, desiring that I may for the time to come be preferred from the like evil or any other, dated this 15<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1768  
Humphrey Smith the 3<sup>rd</sup>

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Joseph  
Moster

William  
Wilcox

5<sup>th</sup> month  
1769

James Davis  
Marriage  
and  
Account

Rachel Soule  
Case

Joseph  
Moster

Choosing of Elders is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting  
Joseph Mosher informs this Meeting that he is about to Remove with his family to the Nine partners, and desires a Removal Certificate, therefore Luke Hart & Brazillai Tucker are appointed to Make Inquiry into his Life & Conversation, and to see that his outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction, and draft a Certificate for himself & family if they think Proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting.  
William Wilcox hath Exhibited a Complaint against Benj<sup>n</sup> Smith for Refusing to pay him an award brought in by Arbitrators Indifferently chosen between them, Therefore Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker are appointed to Treat with the said Benjamin Smith for his Neglect and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1769 - The Representatives are David Smith & Brazillai Tucker both Present.

The friends Appointed to see James Davis and Patience Ruppell's Marriage Consumated Report that their Marriage is not accomplished by Reason the young woman has been sick, therefore they are Still Continued in P<sup>er</sup> Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.  
The friends Appointed to Inquire into Rachel Soule's affairs and to settle accounts with her Creditors Report that they have made some Progress therein & desire one month longer to accomplish Business which is Granted them & they to make Report next monthly Meeting.

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Joseph Mosher & his family to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine partners in Dutch's Colony, in the Province of New York. The friends Appointed to Treat with Benjamin Smith for Neglecting to fulfil an award brought in by between him and



5<sup>th</sup> month  
1769  
Benj. Smith  
Case

William Wilcox Report that the S. Benjamin Informed that the arbitrators were not Chosen between them according to Rule, & therefore of Case was not brought to the Meeting according to the Rule of Discipline, therefore this meeting doth add Joseph Gifford to the former Committee on that Case, and they to Treat with the S. Benj. Smith & to make Inquiring into every particular Circumstance Relating to the Controversy, & to Labour as they find freedom to settle the Controversy, and to make Report to next Monthly Meeting -

Chusing Elders  
refered

Chusing of Elders is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting

Obediak Allen  
19<sup>th</sup> August

Obediak Allen hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning his former Outgoings, for which he was denied, and desiring to be Received Again under friends Care, which is Refered to next Monthly Meeting under the Care of Thomas Hicks & Barzillai Tucker, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month <sup>of the previous month</sup> 1769, are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey both Present -

James Davis  
marriage

William Sanford & Joseph Gifford Report that they attended the Marriage of James Davis & Patience Russell which was Consumated in Good order -

Rachel  
Lawler's  
Estate

The friends Appointed to settle Accounts with Rachel Lawler Creditors, & to see what Money Remains due to her. Report that there Remains due to the S<sup>d</sup> Rachell £6-5-10<sup>0</sup> Lawful Money -

Benj. Smith  
affare settled

The Committee Appointed to Treat with Benjamin Smith for on account of a Complaint Exhibited against him by William Wilcox Report, that the Matter is Settled to Satisfaction Between the said Benj<sup>n</sup> Smith & W<sup>m</sup> Wilcox

Removal  
Certificates  
for Tripp  
or Macomber  
or Mr. Taber

This Meeting hath Signed Three Removal Certificates for Tripp one for Elisabeth Tripp & one for Rachel Macomber both to the Monthly Meeting of Coahset, and one for Mercy Taber to Sandwich Monthly Meeting

month  
1769

the Visits  
of Foreign  
Friends

Our Esteemed friend Rachel Wilson hath Visited us with her Certificate from the Monthly Meeting at Mendal in Westmorland in Old England bearing date the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1768, With a Concurrence from the Quarterly Meeting held at Mendal for westmorland the 8<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1768, Which were Read, in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction - in Company with whom Came our Esteemed friend Sarah Hopkins with her Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at Haddonfield in the County of Gloucester the 8<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1769 and her Visit kindly accepted, And likewise our Esteemed friend John Pemberton hath Visited this Meeting with his Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held in Philadelphia by Adjournment from the 26<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> mo to the 30<sup>th</sup> of the same 1769, which hath been Read & well accepted

Certificate  
for Wilcox

This Meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for Thomas Wilcox to the Monthly meeting of Coahset

Adjourn  
mett

This Meeting hath Collected 19-2 Lawful money  
This Meeting Adjourns to the Last fourth day of this Month  
This Meeting being Mett by Adjournment the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> mo. 1769, The Representatives being Called, Caleb Russell Present, but Jonathan Hussey not Present by Reason he is gone to Nantucket yearly Meeting

Chusing Elders  
refered

The Matter Concerning Chusing Elders is Refered to the next Monthly Meeting

Obediak Allen  
Case refered

The Matter Concerning Obediak Allen is Refered to next Monthly Meeting under the Same Care as heretofore, and they then to make Report -

2<sup>d</sup> Potter  
accepted

The women friends have brought a Paper to this Meeting from Elisabeth Potter, Condemning her disorderly Marriage which they have Accepted, & this Meeting Concurs therewith



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1769

Representatives Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, & William Barker are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present the Epistle to the same which this Meeting hath signed and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
Some of Humphry Smith & Samuel Smith are appointed to Collect an Account of several Publick friends decease that have lately been Promoad, and put them in order Agreeable to the Book of Discipline, and bring them to this Meeting as soon as they conveniently Can

7. mo. At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1769, The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Benj<sup>o</sup> Howland & both Present

Obediah Allen hath Given in a Paper to this Meeting some time past, and now this Meeting Concludes to accept of it, Provided he Cause a Paper to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first day Meeting for worship, he being present, and Return a Paper to the next Monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read in which it appears there is a mistake, therefore this Meeting Concludes to Return a Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting again

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the Meeting house half a year

This Meeting hath Received the London Epistle for the year 1768, as likewise a Transcript of our Last yearly Meeting Epistle - and likewise a Transcript of the Judgment of the yearly Meeting Committee Respecting the tenth Query

Peace Shearman hath Given in a paper to this Meeting which Came from the womens Meeting and they Inform this Meeting that they have Concluded to accept of the same, which this Meeting Consents with Provided she Cause it to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first day Meeting of worship, & she be present, and Return a Paper to next monthly Meeting

Obediah Allen  
paper accep

Report from  
Quar meeting

their Epistle  
returned back

Treasurer  
paid Tim  
Russell

Epistle Received

Respecting  
Tenth Query

Peace Shearman  
man paper  
accepted

The Matter Concerning Chusing of Elders is Referred to the next Monthly Meeting

8. mo.  
1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1769 - The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Halsey both present  
Abraham Smith & Simeon Richeson declared their intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly Meeting for their Answer and Caleb Russell & Joseph Gifford are appointed Inquirers into the young mans Characters Respecting Marriage and Conversation and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Obediah Allens paper hath been Read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting and is as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth  
Loving friends  
Whoe as I through weakness and the Insinuation of the Adversary have twice fallen into the sin of Fornication, and likewise in Gaming, for which I can truly say am sorry for, and do sincerely Condemn the same with all other my outgoings, hoping forgiveness from Almighty God, I desire friends to receive me again under their Care, and would hereby take the Approach of my outgoings on myself and bear friends and the Truth from the same.  
Given for the this 15<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1769  
By your friend Obediah Allen

O. Allens  
Confession

P. Shearman  
Confession

Peace Shearman's paper hath been Read & Returned to this Meeting according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth

Dartmouth the 12<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1769  
To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be holden in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> Instant  
Dear friends, Those may Inform that notwithstanding

month  
1769  
Chusing Elders

Abraham Smith  
Simeon Richeson  
parol of  
marriage



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I had my Education Amongst Friends, I have by Giving way to the Temptation of the Adversary, been Guilty of the Sin of Fornication, as Appears by my having a Child So Soon after Marriage, which Sin I do hereby Condemn, with all other my offences and am heartily sorry for, hoping that God in his Abundant Mercy will forgive me, and I do desire that friends will so far pass by my offences as to Suffer me Still to Remain under Their Care - - - Peace Shearman

Remo: This Meeting hath signed two Removal Certificates  
Certifi: to the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, one for Edith Wing  
for J. W. wife of Edward wing jr: the other for Jane Wing wife  
& J. W. of Barnabas Wing - - -

J. Rufus This Meeting doth Appoint Job Ruspell an Elder in  
and Elder addition to our former Elders - - -

Letter from Smithfield respecting Sam Howland  
Smithfield Monthly Meeting hath writ to this Meeting Informing us that Samuel Howland jr: hath omitted to deliver his Removal Certificate till to them till three years after the date, and also they discover a Shortness in the Certificate Respecting the Settlement of his outward Affairs, Therefore Wm Anthony jr: and Samuel Smith are Appointed to write to the said Howland in behalf of this Meeting as they shall think proper, and also to Enquire into his Affairs Above mentioned, and to make Report as soon as they Conveniently can to this Meeting - - -

Dan: Cornal desires a Certificate  
Daniel Cornal Desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Cabot Concerning his Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation, Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Nicolas Howland and Philips Allen to Enquire into the Above Mentioned Respects and draft a Certificate for him if they think proper and Make Report to next Monthly Meeting - - -

month  
1769  
Wm Sanford jr  
paper

William Sanford jr: hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in Marrying out of the Unity of friends, which is Refer'd to the Next Monthly Meeting;

9th mo:  
1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18th of the 9th mo: 1769, The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Parzillai Tucker both Present - - -

Caleb Ruspell & Joseph Gifford Report that they have made Inquiry into the Clearness of Abraham Smith in Respect to Marriage & Conversation and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage - - -

Abraham Smith  
answer

Abraham Smith & Susvial Picketton Appeared for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Conaenient time between now and next Monthly Meeting Advising with the overseers for that Purpose, and Caleb Ruspell & John Potter are appointed to see their Marriage Consumated in Good order, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting - - -

John Tucker  
proposal of  
marriage

John Tucker & Rhoda Wing declared their Intentions of Marriage, & were desired to wait till next monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Luke Hart & Wm. Mosher are Appointed to Inquire into John Tuckers Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting - - -

Cert: for  
Dan: Cornal

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for Daniel Cornal to Cabot Monthly Meeting Certifying his Clearness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation - - -

Case of Wm  
Sanford jr  
refer'd

The Case of Wm Sanford jr: is Refer'd to next monthly Meeting under the Care of Jonathan Husey & David Smith & they to Make Report to next Monthly Meeting - - -



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1769  
Rhoda  
Wing's  
Certificate

Rhoda Wing hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly Meeting of Cabset which hath been read in this Meeting and Accepted -

Choosing  
Overseers  
referred

It hath been moved at this Meeting for a new Choice of Overseers, and the matter Laboured Somewhat but the matter is Referred to next Monthly Meeting, and the same friends that were in that Service are Continued in the same Service one month Longer -

writ to  
Smithfield  
about  
S. Howland

This Meeting hath signed a few Lines to Smithfield Monthly Meeting in Answer to their Request Respecting a deficiency in Samuel Howland junr's Certificate

Resolved for  
paper  
accepted

The women friends, Inform that they have accepted of Hebe Simpson's paper, which this meeting Concurs with

This Meeting hath Collected £12-5-6 old tenor -

Adjourn

This Meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth day in next Month -

mett

This Meeting being mett by adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> day of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1769 - The Representatives being Called, both Present -

Answers  
to Queries

The Queries have been read & Answered in this Meeting and the Answers are ordered to be sent up to the Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives with the Epistle to the same which hath been signed in this Meeting

Representatives

Joseph Tucker, Nicolas Howland & Wm. Sanford are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Present the said Epistle & Answers as aforesaid, and Make Return to the next Monthly Meeting -

Recommend  
an Elder

This meeting hath signed a few lines, to the Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders, Signifying our Appointment of Job Russell an Elder -

It appears that Job Russell was Clerk at this time

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1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1769, The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Wm Anthony junr both Present -

John  
Tucker  
Answer

The friends, Appointed to Enquire into John Tucker's Cleanness Respecting Marriage & Conversation Report that they have Made Inquiry & find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage John Tucker & Rhoda Wing Appears for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some Convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the overseers for that Purpose, and Luke Hart & William Mosher are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in Good order, and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Wm. Faber pro-  
posed of marri-  
age

William Faber (son of Joseph Faber) and Martha Hart declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their Answer -

Abraham Smith  
marriage

Caleb Russell and John Potter Report that they attended the Marriage of Abraham Smith & Zeruah Howland Prichett for which was Consummated in Good order

Wm Sanford's  
Case referred

Jonathan Hussey & David Smith Report that they have had no opportunity to Treat with Wm Sanford junr, therefore that Case is Referred to next monthly Meeting under the Care of the same friends & they then to make Report -

Choosing Overseers  
referred

A new Choice of overseers is Referred to next Monthly Meeting, and the former overseers still Continued one month Longer -

Report from  
Quart meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment & have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and well Accepted -



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Epistle  
from  
meeting  
of  
sufferings

This Meeting hath received two Printed Epistles, one from the Meeting of Sufferings in London dated in the 31<sup>st</sup> Month 1769, the other from the Meeting of Sufferings in Philadelphia dated in the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1769

Certificate  
for  
Eliza  
Gifford

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Cohasset for our friend Elizabeth Gifford

Witness  
of  
yearly  
meeting

This Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Gifford, John Potter, Wm Barker, Caleb Russell, Brazillai Tucker, Prince Allen, & James Tucker to have the oversight of the Seats and other Seats at our yearly Meeting to Prevent any disorder at that time, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

11<sup>th</sup> mo  
1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1769. The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey both Present

Wm  
Faber  
Certificate

William Faber (Son of Joseph Faber) hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich, Certifying his being under the Care of friends here, and Clear from any Intanglement Respecting Marriage, and he hath also Produced the Consent of his Parents to Proceed in Marriage

Peter  
Barnard  
Certificate

Peter Barnard hath Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket, Certifying his being under the Care of that Meeting, and Clear from any Intanglement in Respect to Marriage, and he hath also Produced his Parents Consent that he may Proceed in Marriage with Rebecca Hussey

Peter  
Barnard  
and  
proposal  
of  
marriage

Peter Barnard with Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood with Dinah Hussey, and Increase Smith with Elizabeth Barker Declared their Intentions of Marriage, and

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each Couple were desired to wait until the next Monthly Meeting for their Answers, and William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith are Appointed to Inquire into the P<sup>r</sup> Sincerity Smiths Cleareness Respecting ~~his~~ Marriage and Conversation and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

who  
Tucker  
marriage

Luke Hact & Wm Mosher Report that they attended the Marriage of John Tucker & Rhoda Wing, and that it was Confirmed in Good order

Wm  
Sanford  
is  
referred

Jonathan Hussey & David Smith Report that they have not yet had an opportunity to speak with Wm Sanford just by Reason of his being Absent, therefore the matter is referred under their Care as heretofore, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Certificate  
for  
Marion

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the monthly Meeting at Oblong for our friend Mary Harwood This Meeting doth Adjourn to the 29<sup>th</sup> day of this Instant

Wm  
Faber  
proposal  
of  
marriage

At a Monthly Meeting met by Adjournment in Dartmouth the 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 1769 - the Representatives being called Caleb Russell Present the other not Present: William Faber Son of Joseph Faber, and Martha Host appeared for their Answer, which was that they might propose to take Each other in Marriage in some convenient Time between this and the next Monthly Meeting with the Overseers that we shall appoint for that purpose William Mosher and Brazillai Tucker are appointed to see their Marriage Confirmed in Good order and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

Being  
over  
referred

A New Choice of Overseers is referred to the next Monthly Meeting



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1769  
Report of  
Overseers  
of yearly  
meeting

The Friends Appointed to have the oversight of the Lefts and other Seats at the yearly Meeting Report that they Mostly attended the said Meeting and saw nothing but what was Tolerable orderly

Meeting  
Granted  
in Allen's  
Neck

The Friend Living in Allen's Neck Request Liberty to hold a Meeting for worship in said neck as heretofore which is Granted them Agreeable to their Request, and Philip Allen & Daniel Cornell are Appointed to have the oversight of the same to see that it be kept in Good order, & to make Report to the monthly Meeting in the fourth Month Next

Meeting  
Granted  
to Smith's  
Neck

The friend Living in Smith's Neck do also Request Liberty to hold a Meeting of worship in their Neck on each first day of the week for the three Ensuing winter Months, which is Granted them, and William Anthony & Samuel Smith are Appointed to see that the same be kept orderly, and to make Report to the monthly Meeting in the fourth Month Next

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1769

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1769; The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and William Anthony jr. both Present

John Wood  
Certificate

John Wood hath Produced a Certificate from Cahuset Monthly Meeting, Certifying his Clearness Respecting Marriage & that he hath the Consent of his near Relations to Proceed in Marriage

Increase  
Smith's  
Clearness

Wm Anthony jr. & Samuel Smith Report that they have made Inquiry into Increase Smith's Clearness, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage

Peter Barnard  
and  
John Wood  
and  
Increase  
Smith  
purpose  
of marriage

Peter Barnard & Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood & Diah Hussey, and Increase Smith and Elizabeth Barker, all Appeared for their Answers, which was that each Couple might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some

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Convenient time between this and the next Monthly Meeting advising with the Overseers for that purpose, and Abraham Tucker & David Smith are Appointed to see that the Marriages of the two first mentioned Couples are Consummated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting - and Wm Anthony jr. & Samuel Smith are Appointed to see that the Marriage of Increase Smith & Elizabeth Barker be Consummated in Good order and Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, Jonathan Hussey & David Smith Report that they have not had an opportunity to Treat with Wm Sanford jr. Therefore the Matter is Refer'd under their Care, and they to make Report to the Monthly Meeting as soon as they Conveniently Can

Wm Mosher  
Marriage

Wm Mosher & Barzillai Tucker Report that they attended the Marriage of Wm Taber & Martha Hart, and that it was Consummated in Good order

Using  
money  
repaid

A New Choice of overseers is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting This Meeting hath Collected £7-15-2 old Toner

Treasurer  
paid Tim  
Russett

The Treasurer hath paid Timothy Russett five Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year, by the direction of this Meeting This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant

Adjourn  
met

At a Monthly Meeting hld by Adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1769 The Representatives being Called both present; The Queries have been read and Answer'd

Answer  
Queries  
Epistle  
sent up

This meeting hath Signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting, And Caleb Ruspell & William Mosher are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting & Present the Epistle with the 3<sup>d</sup> Answers, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Representatives

Jonathan Hussey, Wm Anthony jr. & Samuel Smith are Appointed to Collect the Money for the Books, and to send it to John Doehry as soon as may be, according to the Request of the Last Quarterly Meeting;

To Collect  
money for  
Books



At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1770. The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and Wm Barker both Present -

Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland<sup>r</sup> and Silvester Smith Declared their Intentions of Marriage at this Meeting, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and John Potter & Thomas Hicks are Appointed to Enquire into the said Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland's Cleanness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation, and make Report to next Monthly Meeting

Abraham Tucker & David Smith Report that they attended the Marriages of Peter Barnard & Rebecca Hussey, and John Wood & Ninah Hussey which were Consummated in Good order and Wm Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> & Samuel Smith make the Like Report Respecting the Marriage of Increase Smith & Elisabeth Barker

Mary Cornell wife of Daniel Cornell has Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Coakset which hath been Read and Accepted -

The women friends Inform that they have Accepted of Catherine Briggs's Paper Condemning her Marrying out of unity of friends which this Meeting concurs with -

A New Choice of overseers is Refer'd to the next Monthly Meeting and the following friends are Chosen as a Committee for that service for one Month, viz; Daniel Cornell, Jonathan Hussey Wm Barker, & Nicolas Howland, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

Caleb Russell and Wm Mosher Report that they attended the Quarterly Meeting Agreeable to Appointment, and they have Produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been read & kindly Accepted -

The friends Appointed have Adjusted Accounts with the Treasurer, and there Remains in the Stock £ 10-6-2 odd Part and they also Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment in Regard to the Books, and that they have sent all the money in the Stock to pay for B. Books -

Benj Howland  
proposal  
of marriage

Peter Barnard  
marriage  
John Wood  
& Increase  
Smith  
marriage

M Cornell  
Certificate

Choosing over  
seers refer'd

Report from  
Quar meeting

State of Treas  
ury  
money sent  
to pay for  
books

1<sup>st</sup> Month  
1770  
Complaint  
against  
Wilcox

William Smith hath Exhibited a Complaint against Stephen Wilcox for Neglecting to pay him his due, which the overseers hath brought to this Meeting with a scandalous Report Respecting the sd Wilcox's deceiving of Benj<sup>r</sup> Bifford of Falmouth by taking Money of him to Convey to William Smith & Converted it to his own use, and also that he Neglects to attend meetings both for Worship & discipline, for all which offences the overseers have Labour'd with him, and this Meeting doth Appoint Abraham Tucker, Joseph Bifford & Barrillai Tucker to Labour further with the sd Wilcox in order to Convince him of the above sd offences & to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

David Shepherd  
request a  
Certificate

David Shepherd desires a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Falmouth of his Cleanness in Respect to Marriage & Conversation Therefore Caleb Russell & Job Russell are Appointed to make Enquiry & draw one for him if they think Proper, and bring it to the next Monthly Meeting -

Complaint  
against  
Elihu Mosher

One of the overseers with another friend have Exhibited a Complaint against Elihu Mosher for Marrying out of the unity of friends, for they Labour'd with him, and he declines to make Satisfaction Therefore Joseph Bifford and Barrillai Tucker are appointed to Labour further with him, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

2 mo.  
1770

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1770, The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey both Present -

Friends  
appointed  
to report  
Benja  
Howland's  
case not  
clear

The friends Appointed to Enquire into Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland's Cleanness Report that they don't find him quite Clear and they also Report that the widows Estate is not settled according to Good order, Therefore John Potter & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks are still Continued in the same Service, and they are also Appointed with Jonathan Hussey & Benj<sup>r</sup> Serrin to see that the widows Estate be settled according to



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1770

Choosing  
overseers  
referred  
as friends  
to assist them  
con. in

The meeting  
concludes  
to deny  
Step Wilcox

Certificates  
for David  
Shepherd

minutes  
to be  
recorded

2. Mofher  
paper

2. Gifford  
paper

to Good order, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 A New Choice of overseers is referred to the next Monthly Meeting  
 The friends Appointed as overseers Last month Report that they  
 have been in a Progress to discharge their Trust, and have  
 found tolerable Good Satisfaction, Therefore they are still  
 Continued in the same Service one month longer, and to  
 make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 The friends Appointed to Labour with Stephen Wilcox Report  
 that they have discharged their Trust in that Respect, and  
 that he gave them some Encouragement to appear at this  
 Meeting, which he hath failed of, and hath not sent any  
 Excuse for his offence, and their Report not being Satisfactory  
 and this Meeting being Fear of any further Labour with  
 him, have Concluded to deny the said Stephen Wilcox, and  
 do Appoint Joseph Gifford Daniel Cornell & Samuell Smith  
 to draft a paper of Denial against him, Agreeable to  
 his offences, and to bring it to next monthly meeting, and they  
 to Inform said Stephen of the Conclusion of this Meeting  
 This Meeting hath signed a Certificate for David Shepherd  
 to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his Clear-  
 in Respect to Marriage & Conversation  
 Abraham Tucher, Joseph Tucher, Samuel Smith, Job Rufell  
 and Bazillai Tucher are Appointed to Review the Meeting  
 Minutes, to see what part they think Proper to go on Record  
 and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 Eliza Mofher hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Con-  
 demning his disorderly Marriage, which is Referred under  
 the Care of the friend Appointed Last Monthly Meeting to  
 Labour with him  
 Eliza Gifford hath Given in a paper to this meeting  
 Condemning his disorderly Marriage, which is Referred  
 under the Care of William Barker

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William Anthony  
paper accepted

Rezzabah  
hear mag  
disowned

James Davis  
and wife gave  
in a paper

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Benj Howland  
Clearness

Benj Howland  
proposal of  
marriage

Calib Rufell  
proposal of  
marriage

William Anthony just hath Given in a Paper to this mee-  
 ting Condemning his fact Against John Rufell, which  
 this Meeting hath Concluded to Accept, Provided he Cause it  
 to be Read at the Close of a first day Meeting of worship he being  
 Present, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, and  
 then to Return said Paper  
 This Meeting Adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> Instant  
 At a Monthly Meeting mett according to adjournment the  
 28<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1770. The Representatives being Called  
 both Present  
 The women friend Inform that they have denied Rezzabah  
 Akarman for Marrying out of the unity of friend  
 which this Meeting Concurs with  
 James Davis and his wife have Given in a paper to this  
 Meeting, Signifying their sorrow for their falling into  
 the sin of Fornication which is Referred under the Care of  
 Paul Rufell and Daniel Cornell, and they are desired to  
 Treat with them Respecting the above<sup>d</sup> offence, and to make  
 Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
 At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> mo  
 1770 The Representatives <sup>are</sup> Thomas Hicks 2<sup>nd</sup> & Samuel Smith  
 both Present The Friends appointed to inspect into Benj  
 Howland the 2<sup>nd</sup> <sup>Respecting</sup> Clearness marriage & Conversation Report  
 that they have made inquiry and dont find any thing  
 Material to hinder his proceeding in manage Benj Howland  
 & Selvester Smith appeared for their answer which was that  
 they might Proceed to Take each other in marriage in some  
 convenient Time between this & the next monthly meeting  
 advising with the overseers for that purpose and Thomas  
 Hicks & Samuel Smith are appointed to see their marriage  
 consumated in good order & make Report to the next monthly  
 meeting  
 Calib Rufell Ju<sup>r</sup> & Content Gifford declared their intention



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Friends  
added to  
over last  
continual

Paper of  
denial of  
Stephen  
Wilcock  
signed

Minutes  
Reviewed

P. Wing  
Certificate

Rebecca  
Cornel  
Received

W. Anthony  
paper read

James Davis  
Case refer

report of  
meetings  
in Allins  
Smiths Neck

Marriage at this meeting and was desired to wait until the next monthly meeting for their answer & William Barker & Berzillar Tucker are appointed to Enquire into the young man Carnes respecting marriage & conversation and make report to the next monthly meeting; The Friends appointed as overseers at the last monthly meeting Report that they have in a good Degree Discharged their Trust Reposed in them and they are continued in the same Service one month longer and to make Report to the Next monthly meeting and W<sup>m</sup> Mosher & Samuel Smith are added to the Care of the Committee of overseers The Friends appointed to Draw a paper of denial against Stephen Wilcocks and to inform him of the conclusion of Last monthly Meeting Report that they have Discharged their Trust in the sense that the S<sup>r</sup> Stephen gave them some encouragement of trying to make Friends Satisfaction at this meeting which he hath failed off therefore the Clerk hath signed a paper by order of this meeting and he is appointed to Read a paper at the Close of a first day meeting for worship between this & the Next monthly meeting & he then to make Report

The Committee appointed to peruse the monthly meetings minutes Report that they have done it and have Left them with Samuel Smith to be Recorded; This meeting hath signed a removed Certificate for Peace Wing wife of Boy<sup>m</sup> Wing to the monthly Meeting of Sandvich; The women Friends inform that they have Minuted Rebeckah Cornel under Friends their Care which this meeting Enquires with, W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Junior hath Reported to this meeting that his paper hath been Read and returned to the meeting According to the appointment of Last monthly meeting which he

The Friends appointed to treat with James Davis and his wife Report that they have not had an opportunity to discharge their Trust therefore they are still continued in the same Service & to make Report to the Next monthly meeting;

The Friends appointed to have the care of the meeting granted to be held in Allins neck and in Smiths neck Report that they have attended

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Briggs  
Request

Certificate  
Anna Gifford

Certificate  
Paul Ruffel

Epistle signed

Representatives

Complaint  
against

Paul Ruffel

Hick Appr

Treasurer

Who is appointed

Stephen  
Wilcock to have  
a copy of  
denial

Treasurers  
Accounts to be  
compared

Attended 20 meetings which hath been kept to good Satisfaction Thomas Briggs Requests be taken under Friends Care therefore Seth Shearman & W<sup>m</sup> Sanford are appointed to inquire into his Life & Conversation and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Queries hath been Read and answered in this meeting This meeting hath signed a Certificate for our Friend Anna Gifford to the Quarterly meeting of Sandvich Certifying that her Testimony & Conversation is accepted among us

This meeting hath signed a Certificate for Paul Ruffel to the Quarterly meeting of Sandvich Certifying that his Conversation & Testimony is in unity among us

This meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting to be held next at Rhodisland and Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker Samuel Smith W<sup>m</sup> Mosher Thomas Hicks 2<sup>d</sup> are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with the answers to the Queries and they to make Report to the next Monthly meeting: The overseers hath exhibited a complaint against John Ruffel for Reporting from time to time that W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Junior was a false man & a Deceiver and he Refuses to condemn it according to the judgment of the Arbitrators therefore this meeting appoints John Potter prince Allin and Joseph Gifford to inspect into the Cause of Ruffels Refusing to comply to condemn his fault as aforesaid and to Labour with him as they may find occasion and to make report to the Next monthly meeting Thomas Hicks 2<sup>d</sup> is appointed

Treasurer for this meeting in stead of David Smith who is appointed

This meeting doth appoint Joseph Gifford & Berzillar Tucker to serve Stephen Wilcock with a Copy of his Denial and make Report to the next monthly meeting Samuel Smith & Benjamin Slocum are appointed to compare the Treasurers accounts with the Records & make Report to the next monthly Meeting this meeting hath collected --- £ 10 5 3



Time: 1770

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1770. The Representatives are William Barker & Barzillai Tucker both Present.

W<sup>m</sup> Barker & Barzillai Tucker Report that they have Unjaced Their Appointment in regard to Caleb Russell, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage.

Caleb Russell's Marriage

Caleb Russell just & Content Gifford appear for their dispute which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the overseers for that purpose and W<sup>m</sup> Barker & Barzillai Tucker are appointed to see the same Consummated in good order & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Benjamin Howland's Marriage

The Friends Appointed to see the Marriage of Benjamin Howland and Silvester Smith Consummated in good order.

overseers continued

The Friends Appointed as overseers Report that they have discharged their Trust in some degree, therefore they are still Continued one month longer in the same Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting. Stephen Wilcox's paper of Denial hath been Read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth: Whereas Stephen Wilcox of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, Having been Educated under the Care of friends, and has long made Profession with us, and in times past bore a Publick Testimony which was acceptable Among us, yet Nevertheless with sorrow we find that thro' the Prevalence of the Adversary, and despising the divine Principal of Life in his own heart, he has so deviated from the way of Truth, and the Profession he has made as to fall into several Reproachful Vices & Disorders, particularly in that he being intrusted by a friend of Dartmouth to carry some money to William Smith and Converted the same to his own use whereby he betrayed his Trust, and very much deceived the said friend, for the want of which Money the said W<sup>m</sup> Smith hath Exhibited his Complaint to this Meeting, and likewise the

Testimony against Wilcox

month 1770

Said Stephen is found in the Neglect of that Indispensable duty of attending Religious Meetings of Divine Worship and discipline And friend having in Great Love & tenderness toward him Repeatedly Visited him & Labour'd with him in order to discover to him the Evil of his way, and Reclaim him from his outgoings. But our Labour of Love not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore for the Clearing of the precious Truth and friends from the Reproach of such Vices and defective Members this Meeting is Concern'd to Give this forth as a Testimony Against him, and do hereby Publickly disown the said Stephen Wilcox from being a member of our Society, and from under the Care of this Meeting, Sincerely desiring (if it be Consistant with Divine pleasure) that he may yet Return from the Evil of his way, and by an unfeigned Repentance and Reformation, be Restored to the way of Truth & Salvation. Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> month 1770.

And Signed in & by order of said Meeting by Job Russell Clerk

order to give Wilcox a Copy of denial

The friends Appointed to see Stephen Wilcox with a Copy of the foregoing denial, Report that they gave him only Copies of the minutes of his denial therefore they are still Requested to see him with a Copy of the above denial, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

The Brethren continued

The Friends Appointed to Enquire into Thomas Briggs's Life and Conversation on his Request to Come under friends Care, and to Treat with him in that Respect, one of the said friends Report that but one of them has had an opportunity to speak with him. Therefore they are still Continued in the same Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting.

Report from Quarterly Meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment, and have Produced a list from the same which hath been read and kindly accepted.



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1770  
John  
Ruspell  
case contin

The Committee Appointed to Treat with John Ruspell for his fault Cognised in the Last Monthly Meeting Report that they desire one month longer to discharge their Trust in that respect Therefore they are Continued in the Same Service and to make Report next monthly meeting -

To compare  
Treasurers  
accounts  
refer

The Committee Appointed to Compare the Treasurers Accounts with the Records Report that they have not had an opportunity to fulfill that Service. Therefore they are Still Continued in Service and to make Report to the next monthly meeting -

Book  
of disci-  
pline  
Transferr'd  
for Cash  
set  
meeting

Samuel Smith Reports that he hath joined with a friend of Cohasset monthly meeting, and they have Transferr'd the Book of Discipline According to the Appointment of this Meeting some months past, for which he Charges this Meeting £ 7-1-8 Old Tenner which is allowed, and he is Tolerated to draw the money out of the Treasury if there be enough in the Stock, and he to make Report next monthly meeting -

of Dotter &  
J. Shearman  
account

John Dotter and Seth Shearman hath brought an Account to this Meeting for one Frenching Shoal which Cost - - £ 2 5 0 which this meeting allows

D Mosher  
Paper  
accepted

Elihu Mosher hath Given in a paper to this Meeting some months past, Condemning his Marrying out of the unity of friends, and now a Report hath been made to Tolerable Good Satisfaction. Therefore his said paper is Accepted - - -

Rebecca  
Ricketts  
denial

This Meeting hath signed a paper of Denial Against Rebecca Ricketts for falling into the Sin of Fornication, and the Clerk of this meeting is ordered to read the Same at the Close of a first day meeting for worship between this and the next monthly meeting, and then to make Report hereof - - -

S. Almy

The women friends Inform that they have denied Sarah Almy for denied Marrying out of the unity of friends, which this meeting Concur, with

B. Ruspell

Barnabas Ruspell hath Given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning his disorder in taking the oath in Common form, which this Meeting Accepts - - -

month  
1770  
James  
Davis  
case

James Davis and his wife have Given in a Paper to this Meeting Condemning their falling into the Sin of Fornication, which this Meeting Concludes to accept Provided they Cause the Same to be Read at the Close of a first day meeting for worship they being Present, and Return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting, and make Report of its being read Joseph Hatch Jun<sup>r</sup> Informs that he Intends to go to London and desires a Certificate, therefore Caleb Ruspell & Samuel Smith are Appointed to Enquire into his Conversation and in his Clearness Respecting Marriage and to draft a Certificate for him if they find things Clear and to bring it to the next monthly meeting -

Rebecca  
Ricketts  
denial

Barnabas Ruspell likewise Informs that he Intends a Voyage to London and desires a Certificate, and Joseph Gifford & Samuel Smith are to make the like Enquiry Concerning him, and to draft a Certificate for him if they find him Clear & to bring it to the next monthly meeting -

Complaint  
against  
Sam Smith  
son of  
Humphrey

The Overseers have Exhibited a Complaint Against Humphrey Smith the Son of Humphrey for falling into the Sin of Fornication and in frequently drinking of spirituous Liquor to Excess, and in frequently using of bad Language, for all of which evils they have Laboured with him and he declines to Condemn his offences to their Satisfaction, Therefore this Meeting do Appoint John Dotter & Thomas Hicks to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to draft a paper of denial against him if he do not Give them Satisfaction, & Inform him of their Appointment, and make Report to the next monthly meeting -

5<sup>th</sup> mo.  
1770

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21 of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1770, The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Barzillai Tucker both Present -

Caleb  
Ruspell  
marriage

Wm Basher and Barzillai Tucker Report that they attend the Marriage of Caleb Ruspell Jun<sup>r</sup> and Content Gifford, and that it was Consummated in Tolerable Good order



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1770  
overseen  
continued

The friends Appointed as overseers Report that they have been in a Labour to discharge the Trust Reposed in them, therefore they are Continued in that Service one month Longer as heretofore

gave  
copy of  
denial  
Case of  
The Briggs

The friends Appointed to serve Stephen Wilcox with a Copy of his denial. Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment The friends Appointed to Treat with Tho<sup>s</sup> Briggs Respecting his Request to Come under friends Care Report that things are not Clear, and the said friends desire to be Excused from that Service which is Granted, and do Appoint Joseph Tucker, John Potter & Job Russell in the Room of the afores<sup>d</sup> friends that were desired and they to make Report next monthly meeting

Elizabet  
Kirby  
denied

This meeting hath signed a paper of Denial Against Elizabeth Kirby daughter of Robert Kirby, for falling into the sin of Fornication, and the Clerk of this meeting is ordered to read the paper at the Close of a first day meeting of worship between This & the next Monthly Meeting and then to make Report

Macum  
ber &  
wife's  
Certifi:

Caleb macumber & his wife have Removed within the Company of this Meeting, and each of them have Produced a Removal Certificate which have been read and Accepted

Certificates  
for Jos  
Sut and  
Barnabas  
Russell

This meeting have signed Certificates for Joseph Brock jr<sup>s</sup> and Barnabas Russell to friends in London

Accounts  
settled  
with the  
former  
treasurers

Benj<sup>s</sup> Macum and Samuel Smith Report that they have compared the former Treasurers Accounts with the Records of This meeting as far as Socie<sup>s</sup> Recd, and find no Error

Smith  
Rec<sup>d</sup> money  
for Typic  
Book

Samuel Smith Reports that he hath Received the money out of the Treasury for Transcribing the Book of Discipline According to the order of Last Monthly Meeting

Rebecca Ricketson's Paper of Denial hath been Read According to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting which paper is as follows

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Ricketson's  
denial

Whereas Rebecca Ricketson Daughter of John Ricketson and Theres his wife, being under friends Care having through the Prevalence of the Adversary, and the depravity of her own Nature fallen into the Reproachful sin of Fornication, as appears by her being deliver'd of a bastard Child, and friends having sufficiently Labour'd with her for her Recovery, and to Restor her to the way of Truth, but friends Labour not Proving Effectual she Appearing obstinate, & no appearance of hearty sorrow, therefore for the Clearing of the Truth and friends from the Reproach thereof, This meeting Gives this forth as a Publick Testimony Against her, hereby disowning her the said Rebecca Ricketson from being one of our Society, and from under the Care of this Meeting, until by unfeigned Repentance she shall Return to the way of Truth Given forth at our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 16 day of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1770

Signed in & on behalf of the meeting by  
Job Russell Clerk  
Nephizibah Huxey Clerk

James Davis  
paper not read

James Davis hath failed of making the Report of Reading his paper and his wife's according to the Provision of Last Monthly Meeting therefore Caleb Russell is Appointed to Treat with with him for his neglect, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting The Committee Appointed on Account of John Russell Report as follows, which is Accepted in this Meeting, and is as followeth

Report on John  
Russell case

Agreeable to the minute from our monthly meeting we have heard John Russell's Reasons why he Refused to Comply with the Judgment of the Arbitrators, which Reasons we think not sufficient to Excuse him, therefore it is our Judgment that John Russell Publickly Censure what the Arbitrators found him Guilty of, Agreeable to their Judgment  
Joseph Gifford  
John Potter  
Dinnie Allen

John Russell's  
paper not  
accepted

And the said John Russell hath Given in a paper to this Meeting which this Meeting thinks is too Short, and do not accept of it. Therefore Deleg



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Deleg. Cofford and Jedidiah Allen are Appointed to Labour with the said Russell to Condemn his fault Agreeable to the Judgment of the afore<sup>d</sup> Committee, and to return him his paper and let him know the mind of this Meeting, and to make Report to next

monthly Meeting -

Humphrey Smith  
Son of Humphrey  
case continued

The Committee Appointed to Labour with Humphrey Smith Son of Humphrey Smith Report that they have not had an opportunity to discharge themselves in that Respect, therefore they are still Continued in that Service, until next Monthly Meeting and then to make Report -

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1770 - The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Jonathan Hufsey both Present

report of  
overscers

The Friends Appointed as overscers Report that they have been in a Progress to discharge the Trust Proposed in the Name of Jonathan Hufsey, James Cornell, Samuel Smith, W<sup>m</sup> Parker W<sup>m</sup> Mosher, are Appointed Overscers for the year ensuing

J. Briggs  
declines  
his Request

The Appointed to Treat with Thomas Briggs on his Request to Come under friends Care, Report that he declines his Request at Present, things not being Clear  
Elisabeth Kirby's Paper of denial hath been read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows -

Elisabeth  
Denial

Whereas Elisabeth Kirby Daughter of Robert Kirby, and Abigail his wife, having had her Education among friends, under the care of this Meeting, yet thro' the ~~insinuation~~ insinuation of the adversary, and the depravity of her own Nature hath so far gone astray from her Education and the Profession we bear, as to fall into the Reproachfull Sin of Fornication, as appears by her having a Bastard Child, And friends having sufficiently Laboured with her in Love for her Recovery, but our Labour of Love not obtaining the desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this Meeting, Therefore for the clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such Iniquities, This Meeting gives this

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this forth as a Testimony against her, hereby Publickly disowning the said Elisabeth Kirby from being one of our Society and from under the care of this Meeting, desiring if it be agreeable to Divine pleasure that she may yet come to a Sense of her outgoings and by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth -

Given forth and Signed in & on behalf of our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 21 of the 5<sup>th</sup> Month 1770 by  
Caleb Russell Clerk  
Rephizah Hufsey Clerk

James Davis  
paper Read

James Davis and his wife's paper hath been read according to the direction of the Monthly Meeting held two months ago, which paper is as follows -

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth -  
Beloved friends -

J. P.  
Davis's  
Paper

whereas we thro' unwatchfulness have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by our having a child so soon after Marriage, for which we are heartily Sorry & do condemn the same, and hoping forgiveness from almighty God we desire friends so far to pass it by as to let us remain under your care, from your friends James Davis  
Patience Davis  
dated this 16<sup>th</sup> 4 mo: 1770 -

James Davis  
Neglect

And Caleb Russell Reports that he hath Treated with the said Davis for Neglecting to read said paper by the time first limited for which he hath tendered a sufficient excuse -

Humphrey Smith  
Son of Humphrey  
denied

The friends Appointed to Labour with Humphrey Smith Son of Humphrey Smith Report that he gave them no real Satisfaction therefore according to Appointment they have drafted a paper of denial against him which hath been read & signed and the Clerk is appointed to Read said paper Publickly as usual and make Report to next monthly meeting and William Anthony is Appointed to serve him with a copy of his denial and to make Report next monthly meeting -



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Writs  
of Public  
friends

The Queries have been Read & Answer'd, and this meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting. Our Affectionate Friend Joshua Brown and David Willits having Visited this meeting with their Respective Certificates, the first from the monthly Meeting held in Nottingham by adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1770: in Pennsylvania the other from the monthly Meeting held at Westbury on Long Island the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1770, whose Certificates have been read to Satisfaction, and their Visits kindly accepted. Wm Barker, Caleb Rufell, Paul Rufell & Wm Mosher are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to present the Epistle & answers to the Queries, and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting.

Mary Gifford Receiv'd Leah from & Rhoda Hathaway

The women friends Inform that they have minuted Mary Gifford wife of Obediah Gifford under friends care, and also that Leah Reasonan & Rhoda Hathaway hath made Satisfaction for Stealing out of the unity of friends, which this Meeting concurs with. The friends Appointed to Labour with John Rufell Report that they have Labour'd with him, and he hath Given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his disorder in Reporting that W<sup>m</sup> Anthony just was a false man & a deceiver, which this Meeting thinks is too short, and do still Refer the matter under the care of the aforesaid friends, and Joseph Gifford, and they to Inform him the mind of this Meeting, and to Make Report to the next monthly Meeting.

money sent for books

This Meeting hath collected & sent the money due for the Books to John Dochry by the Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting. This meeting hath collected £ 7-13-0 old Tenner.

7<sup>th</sup> mo  
1770

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1770, the Representatives are Nicolas Howland and Barzillai Tucher both present. William Anthony Reports that he hath served Humphry Smith

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of Public  
friends

with a copy of his denial according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and said paper hath been read as order'd by last monthly Meeting. The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended, and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and kindly accepted, and they Report that they have deliver'd the Money to John Dochry for the Books, and have produced a Receipt in full from J<sup>r</sup> Dochry. This Meeting hath Received several of the London Printed Epistles, and also a Transcript of our last yearly Meeting's Epistle. Likewise a copy of several matters concluded on by said Meeting. Nicolas Howland is Appointed an Overseer to serve with the others that were Appointed last Month.

John Rufell's paper received

The committee Appointed to treat with John Rufell Report that they have discharged the Trust Proposed in them, and John Rufell hath Given in a paper to this Meeting condemning his offence in Reporting in too Extensive a manner that William Anthony just was a false man and a deceiver, which this Meeting concludes to accept of, Provided he cause said paper to be read publicly, at the end of a first day Meeting of worship he being present between this & the next Monthly Meeting and then Return J<sup>r</sup> paper & Make Report.

Rufell's opinion

whereas some months past Caleb Rufell Express'd in a Monthly Meeting that David Smith was not Suitable to be Appointed in business by reason that he was against the meeting, and it is the sense & judgment of this Meeting that Caleb Rufell Inconsiderately Express'd himself to far, which he hath condemn'd to the Satisfaction of this Meeting two Months past, and then begged of David Smith to pass it by, but we have omitted Minuting of it until this day.

adjourn

This Meeting Adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> day of this Instant after the Meeting of worship.

met

At a monthly Meeting Mett by Adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1770 The Representatives being called both present. It was proposed for a New Choice of overseers of the poor, but the former not being all present the matter is Refer'd to next Monthly Meeting.



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John Potter  
account

John Potter hath exhibited an Account to this meeting for doing for the poor, and for one Frenching Shoal and one Pail, all amounting to £ 4-1-3 old tenner and Thomas Hicks hath likewise exhibited an Account for mending the Meeting House to the amount of £ 1-2-6 old tenner which this meeting approves and do order them to draw the money out of the Treasury, and make Report as soon as they can conveniently -

Comtee to  
advise in  
cases of  
Suing

William Barker, William Mosher and Barzillai Tucker are appointed a Standing Committee for friends to advise with in the intervals of monthly meetings, in cases of Suing at Law

Books  
to be  
sold

Whereas this Meeting is possessed of a Number of Fox's Large Primers and Fullers Books. Therefore Caleb Russell & W<sup>m</sup> Mosher are appointed to take the Books, and Endeavour to sell them at the prime Cost, and Return the Money to this Meeting as soon as they can

8<sup>th</sup> Mar  
1770

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1770, the Representatives are John Potter & Samuel Smith both present -

of Russell's  
paper not  
returned

John Russell's paper hath been read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting <sup>but</sup> he hath omitted returning his paper to this Meeting as ordered. Therefore he is desired to Return said paper to the next Monthly Meeting -

overscers  
of the  
poor

Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, Barzillai Tucker, & Gideon Howland are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing

J. Mosher  
& family

Joanna Mosher widow, and her family having Returned to live among us again, have Produced a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of the Nine pastors, which hath been read and Received -

R. Barnard  
Removed

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Rebecca Barnard to the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket -

Complaint  
against  
J. Smith

The overseers Inform that John Smith hath Married out of the

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unity of friends, for which they have Laboured with him but he declines to Make friends Satisfaction. Therefore this Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker and Paul Russell to Labour with him further and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting -  
John Potter & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks have taken the money out of the Treasury as ordered by last monthly meeting -  
This Meeting hath Collected £ 7-15-6 old tenner -

Resolved  
that  
from  
quarterly  
meeting

Whereas at the Last Monthly Meeting we Received Several matters concluded on by our last yearly Meeting, and now this Meeting concludes to send up to the Quarterly Meeting to know under what head, in the Book of discipline will be most proper to place them

8<sup>th</sup> Mo  
1770

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1770, the Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Mosher & Barzillai Tucker both present -

Samuel  
Mosher  
& Ruth  
Pifford

Samuel Mosher & Ruth Pifford declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly Meeting for their Inspection and Paul Russell & Barzillai Tucker are appointed to Inquire into the young man's cleareness respecting Marriage & Conversation and make Report to the next monthly meeting -

John  
Russell's  
paper  
returned

John Russell hath Returned his paper according to the Request of Last Monthly Meeting - which paper is as followeth

Russell's  
Confession

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held this 16<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1770  
Istemed friends -

As I have Reported of William Anthony jr<sup>s</sup> that he was a false man & a deceiver, for which I am sorry, that thro' Inadvertency I Reported in so distant a manner, by which I have broke the Good order of friends - my misconduct in so Reporting, I condemn, and I desire friends to pass by my offence and still Continue me under their Care, as I Desire that I may be more Careful for the future - John Russell



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John Smith  
case

The friends Appointed to Labour with John Smith Report that they have Labour with him, and he gave them Encouragement of making this Meeting Satisfaction. Therefore the matter is referred under their care until next monthly meeting, and they are desired to make Report -

O. Gifford  
Removed  
Request a  
Certificate

Obediah Gifford hath Remov'd to the Nine-partners with his family, and Requests a Removal Certificate for himself and family, therefore Daniel Cornell & Philip Allen are Appointed to make inquiry into his Life & Conversation, and also to see if his Temporal affairs be settled according to the good order of friends, and to draft a Certificate for them if they think proper, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting -

Complaint  
against  
Benj. Chase

The overseers, Inform that Benj. Chase hath gone contrary to good order in striking of Abigail Blackner, therefore this meeting do Appoint Luke Hart and Barnabas Mosher to inquire into the Circumstance Relating to the cause of his afore said disorder, and to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting -

Representatives

The Queries have been Read and Answer'd in this meeting Abraham Tucker, Joseph Tucker, Nicolas Howland are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting, and to Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, which Epistle hath been signed in this Meeting, and they to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

Answers to  
Epistle  
Sent up

Paul Rufell  
wants  
a Certificate

Our friend Paul Rufell desires a few Lines, by way of Certificate in order to Visit the Quarterly Meeting next to be holden at Pennbrook, which hath been Read & signed in this Meeting

Martha  
Pabody  
papers  
accepted

The women friends Inform that Martha Pabody hath Given in a paper to their Meeting condemning her falling into the sin of Fornication which is accepted Provided the Cause it to be read Publicly at the close of a first day meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting, she being present, and Return'd the paper to next monthly meeting -

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John  
Smith  
case

The women friends also Inform that Silvia Smith wife of Humphrey Smith the 3<sup>d</sup> hath Made them Satisfaction for marrying out of the unity of friends, They also Inform that they have denied Rebecca Briggs wife of Tho<sup>s</sup> Briggs for Keeping Company and Marrying out of the unity of friends, which this Meeting concurs with - - - This Meeting hath Collected £ 6 - 13 - 0 old tenor

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At a Monthly Meeting hold in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> Month 1770. The Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Mosher & Barzillai Tucker both present -

Family  
of  
Mosher  
&  
Gifford

Paul Rufell & Barzillai Tucker Reports that they have Made Inquiry into Samuel Mosher's Reasons respecting Marriage and Conversation, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage Samuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford appear'd for their answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this & the next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers for that purpose and Paul Rufell and Barzillai Tucker are Appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in good order, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

John  
Smith  
case

The Committee Appointed to Treat with John Smith Report that they have Treated with him, and he hath Given in a paper to this Meeting in order to Condemn his disorder, which this Meeting thinks is too short & not to the purpose, therefore the matter is referred under the Care of the afore said Committee, to the next Monthly Meeting -

O. Gifford  
Certificate

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Obediah Gifford and his Children to the Monthly Meeting at the Nine-partners -

Benj. Chase  
case

The friends Appointed to Treat with Benj. Chase Report that they



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They have had some discourse with him, and desire the matter to be continued one month longer under their care which is preferred accordingly, and they to make Report to the next monthly Meeting -

*Return from  
Last meeting* The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment, and have Produced an Epistle from the same, which hath been Read & kindly accepted -

*M. Labady  
papers had  
read* Martha Labady's Paper hath <sup>not</sup> been read according to the direction of Last monthly <sup>meeting</sup> for which omission there hath been a reasonable excuse made, therefore she is directed to Cause it to be read at the end of a first day meeting for worship, before the next monthly meeting, and she to be present and Return said paper to the next monthly meeting -

*Gifts of  
Publick  
friends* Our friends Matthew Franklin and Richard Titus have Visited this Meeting with their Certificates, the first from the monthly Meeting held at Newtown on Long Island the 7<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> mo. 1770, and the latter from the monthly meeting held at Westbury on Long Island the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1770 which have been Read to good Satisfaction, and their Visits kindly Accepted, and this meeting find freedom to Give Each of them a Certificate, therefore we do Appoint Samuel Smith and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> to prepare Certificates for them & bring them to the adjournment -

*Overseers  
of yearly  
meeting* This Meeting doth Appoint Jonathan Hussey, W<sup>m</sup> Mosher, Barzillai Tucker, Samuel Smith W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> and Barnabas Mosher to have the oversight of the Seats and other Seats at our yearly meeting to prevent any Indecency that may be liable to happen at that time and to make Report of their service to the next Monthly Meeting

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This meeting hath Signed a paper of denial against Lydia Potter for the Sin of Fornication, and Job Ruppell is ordered to read a paper at the end of a first day meeting for worship, between this and next monthly Meeting, and he then to make Report Joseph Tucker, Caleb Ruppell, W<sup>m</sup> Mosher, Barzillai Tucker and Jonathan Hussey are Appointed a Committee to have the oversight of those friends, and others that attend our Religious Meetings, and are frequently in the practice of Slipping out of doors after the meetings are gathered, and to Invite them into meeting when they think Necessary -

*Adjourn  
meet* This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the Meeting of worship At a monthly meeting met according to adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1770, The Representatives being called both present,

*Certificate  
in favor  
of  
Matthew  
Franklin  
Richard  
Titus* This Meeting hath Signed two Certificates, one for our friend Matthew Franklin to the monthly Meeting of Newtown on Long Island, and the other for our friend Richard Titus, to the Monthly Meeting of Westbury on said Island -

*W<sup>m</sup> Mosher  
1770* } At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1770, the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and William Barker both present -

Paul Ruppell and Barzillai Tucker Report that they attended the Marriage of Samuel Mosher & Ruth Gifford which was consummated in tolerable good order -

*Samuel  
Mosher  
marrying* The Committee Appointed to Labour with John Smith Report that they have treated with him, and he still Neglects to Condemn his disorder to the Satisfaction of this meeting, therefore the matter is preferred under the care of the above said Committee, and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting -

*John  
Smith  
disorder* The Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed to Labour with Benj<sup>m</sup> Chase Report that they have



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have made some progress therein, and they desire one month longer for that service therefore they are still continued in said service accordingly and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Mar: Pabody's paper read

Martha Pabody's paper hath been read according to the Appointment of last monthly meeting and returned to this meeting, and is as follows -

Mar: Pabody's paper

To the Monthly Meeting to be held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> mo: 1770 is esteemed friend These are to inform that through unwatchfulness I have fallen into the Reproachful Sin of Fornication, as appears by my having a Child so soon after Marriage, for which I am heartily sorry for, and do condemn the same, with all the rest of my outgoing, hoping God will forgive me, and desiring friends so far to pass it by as to let me remain under your care from your friend - Martha Pabody

dated the 16<sup>th</sup> mo: 1770

Superior of yearly meeting report

The friends appointed to have the oversight of the Lofts and other seats at our last yearly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment, and that people behaved as still as could be reasonably expected -

Lydia Potter's paper of Denial hath been read according to the Appointment of last monthly Meeting, and is as followeth

Lydia Potter's denial

At a monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> mo: 1770

Whereas Lydia Potter having had her Education among friends and under the care of this meeting but yet for want of watchfulness, and by giving way to the suggestions of the Evil one hath fallen in the Reproachful Sin of Fornication which may appear to the world by her having a Child so soon after Marriage

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notwithstanding the Much Labour that hath been taken for to bring her to a sight & sense of her outgoing, proves ineffectual and she not having any Appearance of a disposition to condemn her outgoing, and to make friends Satisfaction, Now for the clearing the Truth this Meeting can do no less than Give this forth bearing their Testimony Against such Reproachful Evils, and do deny the said Lydia Potter from being under the Care of this Meeting, yet Truly desiring that she may be brought to a sight and sense of her outgoing, and come to a true Repentance and find Mercy. Given forth and signed in & or behalf of P. Meeting by

Job Russell Clerk  
Joseph & Abner Huxley Sec<sup>rs</sup>

Mar: Pabody's paper accepted

The women friends inform that they have ministered Hannah Wiers low under their care, which we concur with

Mar: Pabody's paper accepted

This Meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Panna Thurston wife of Edward Thurston for to the Monthly Meeting of Swansey

meeting in Allen's Neck

The Friend Living in Allen's Neck, and also those Living in Smith's Neck Request the Liberty to hold a Meeting in each neck, the ensuing Winter. Therefore this meeting Grants them their Request in

both Necks, and they to hold a Meeting in each neck on each first day of the week from now to the monthly meeting to be held in the third month next, and Philip Allen & Daniel Cornell are appointed to have

the oversight of the meeting in their P. neck, and Samuel Smith & Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland they are appointed for the same service in the meeting

in their neck, and all to make Report to the P. third month next Weston Briggs hath removed in the Company of Swansey monthly

meeting, and Requests a Removal Certificate for himself & family and Jacob Case hath likewise removed in the Company of meeting, & Requests a Removal Certificate for himself & Child

Therefore Luke Hart & Barnabas Mather are appointed to, Inquire into Jacob Case's



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Chase's Life & Conversation and to draft a Certificate for them if they think proper and bring it to the next monthly meeting -  
And Tho: Misk and Wm Anthony jr are Appointed for the same service for Weston Briggs and to join the women friends to draft a Certificate for himself & family if they think proper, and to bring it to the next monthly meeting

Jenavarak Gifford's paper accepted

Jenavarak Gifford hath given in a paper to this Meeting Condemning her falling into the Sin of Fornication, which this Meeting concludes to accept Provided said paper be read at the End of a first day Meeting for worship, and she is Excused from being present at the reading said paper by reason of her being at a great distance, and a lame woman, and under Low Circumstances in the world, therefore the Clerk of this Meeting is ordered to Read said paper according to the afore<sup>d</sup> directions, and to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Proposed to build a new Meeting house

This Meeting Proposes to build a new Meeting House where our old one now stands in Donaganset, and do Appoint Barnabas Mosher, Prince Allen, Philip Fraddon, Caleb Russell, Jonathan Hussey, Wm Anthony jr, Joseph Russell, Samuel Smith and Selaerone Smith, and they to consider how Large to build said House, and also to compute the cost as near as they can and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Committee to assist the poor

John Potter, Prince Allen, Wm Anthony jr are Appointed to join the Overseers of the poor to settle Accounts in behalf of Alice Smith with John Sison, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month 1770 The Representatives are Wm Baker and Barzillai Tucker both present

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Jenavarak Gifford's paper accepted

Joseph Gifford jr and Hannah Winslow declared their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly Meeting for their Answer, and Wm Baker and Barzillai Tucker are appointed to Inquire into the young mans cleanness Respecting Marriage & Conversation and make report to the next Monthly Meeting

John Smith's paper accepted

The Committee Appointed to Labour with John Smith Report that they have Treated <sup>Further</sup> with him, and that he gave them some Satisfaction, but still Neglects to make this meeting Satisfaction, therefore the Matter is still Preferred under the care of the afore<sup>d</sup> Committee, and they to Make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Benjamin Chase's paper accepted

The friends Appointed to inspect into the Case of Benja<sup>n</sup> Chase's Striking of Abigail Blackmer Report that he hath Made the said Abigail Satisfaction, therefore this meeting concludes to accept of his paper that he gave in some months past, Provided he Cause it to be read at the close of a first day Meeting for worship at Newtown between this & the next Monthly Meeting he being present, and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting, and Return said paper

Barnabas Mosher's Certificate

Barnabas Mosher hath Produced a Certificate from the two weeks Certificate Meeting in London held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1770 which hath been Read & well accepted

John Chase's Certificate

John Chase & Barzillai Mosher have prepared a Removal Certificate for Jacob Chase & Children to the Monthly Meeting of Swansey which hath been signed in this meeting, and this meeting has likewise signed a Removal Certificate for Weston Briggs & family to the above Meeting Jenavarak Gifford's paper hath been Read according to the direction of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as follows - (viz)

Jenavarak Gifford's Certificate

Sandwich the 2<sup>nd</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month 1769,  
To the Monthly Meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> Instant

Beloved friends, These may Inform that Notwithstanding I had my Education amongst friends, I have by Giving way to the Temptation of the enemy, been Guilty of the Sin of fornication



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as appears by my having a Child so soon after Marriage which sin I do condemn with all other my offences, and am heartily sorry for (them) hoping that god will forgive me, and I do desire that friends will so far pass by my offences as to let me still remain under their care, from your friend

Venerable Gifford

The Committee appointed to consider about Building a New Meeting House in Aponaganset and to calculate the cost Report as follows

The committee appointed to join with the overseers of the poor to settle the Estate of Alice Smith Report that the matter is unsettled therefore they are still continued to endeavour to settle the matter as soon as may be and then to make Report

W<sup>m</sup> Cornelius walter Cornell hath exhibited a complaint against Jedediah Allen complaining for Refusing to join with him in fulfilling the Judgment of the Arbitrators Respecting the discharging of their Mother Woods debts that she left at her decease, therefore this meeting do Appoint Caleb Russell W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> Barzillai Tucher, Joseph Banker, & Thomas Hicks a Committee to Inquire into the State of the case and to Labour as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting

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Benjamin Shearman, Tho<sup>s</sup> Shearman and Peleg Shearman jointly have exhibited a complaint against Humphry Smith for Refusing to Submit a controversy between them to men Therefore this meeting do Appoint Joseph Gifford, Gideon Howland, Barzillai Tucher, Joseph Banker & Benj<sup>m</sup> Stoum a Committee to Inquire into the State of the Case and to Labour as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The Queries have been read and answered in this meeting and Joseph Tucher, Jonathan Husey, W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Booth are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and to present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries which Epistle hath been signed in this meeting, and they to make Report next monthly Meeting Joseph Trappond hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the sin of fornication therefore this Meeting do Appoint W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> and Benj<sup>m</sup> Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> to Inquire if the young woman be satisfied that he seduced him, and they to make Report to the next monthly Meeting  
This meeting hath Collected £ 7-10-6 old tenor

The following denial of Humphry Smith the 3<sup>d</sup> ought to have been Recorded among the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> month last in page 189 but was omitted (viz)

Whereas Humphry Smith, son of Humphry Smith having had his Education among friends, yet thro' disregarding the Principles of Life in his own heart hath so far followed the Vanity of his own unstable mind as to fall into several Proproachful Sins, particularly in that he being accused of being the father of a Bastard Child, and he in no wise clearing himself therefrom to the Satisfaction of friends, and after inspection we have sufficient to believe the accusation to be justly Grounded. Likewise he is found in the too frequent practice of Drinking Spiritous Liquors to excess and also in the use of bad Language, for which friends have Repeatedly Laboured with him in Love in order to Reclaim him from such Vanities but



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but our Labour not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such enormous Practices this meeting is concerned to Give forth against him, and do hereby Publickly disown him the said Humphry Smith from being one of our Society, and from being in membership with us, desiring Nevertheless if it be agreeable to Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restored from the evil of his ways and by unfeigned Repentance Return to the way of Truth - - Given forth by our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1770 And signed in & on behalf of said Meeting by Job Russell Clerk

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the first month 1771, the Representatives are Nicolas Howland and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr & both present

W<sup>m</sup> Barker and Beryllai Tucker Report that they have Made Inquiry into Joseph Gifford, Jun<sup>r</sup> Carnes's Respecting Marriage and conversation, and find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in Marriage with Joseph Gifford, Jun<sup>r</sup> and Hannah Winslow Appear'd for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage before the next monthly meeting advising with the Overseers for that purpose and W<sup>m</sup> Barker & Beryllai Tucker are Appointed to see their Marriage consummated in good order and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting -

Joseph Gifford  
Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Hannah Winslow

John Smith hath Given in a paper to this Meeting, Condemning his disorderly Marriage which is accepted and he still to remain under the care of this meeting; -

Benj<sup>m</sup> Case's paper hath been read according to the direction of the Last monthly meeting, and is as follows - (viz)

Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> day of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1770 -  
To the monthly meeting of friends held at Ponaganset whereas, I thro' weakness and giving way to the Temptations of the

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enemy Some time past struck Abigail Blackmer, for which I am now sorry for and Condemn, hoping the almighty will forgive me desiring to be preserved from such practices, for the sake and desire that friends will pass it by and Continue me under theirs. Care this from your friend - Benjamin Case

Return  
from 2<sup>nd</sup>  
meeting

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read & kindly accepted -

Del. Allen  
Case report

The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of Walter Bond against Jedidiah Allen Request the matter to be deferred one month longer under their Care therefore their Request is Granted, and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting -

Gifford  
Case

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for everah Gifford wife of Silvanus Gifford to the monthly meeting of Sandwich -

Humphry  
Smith  
Case

The Committee Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of Benj<sup>m</sup> Case and Peleg Shearman against Humphry Smith Report that the matter is still unsettled, and Humphry Smith Requests a Copy of the Complaint therefore the said Complaint is Refer'd under the care of the afore said Committee and they to Consider whether it be best to Give said Smith a Copy or not, and if upon mature Consideration they think best to Give a Copy they may, and Job Case and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr are Added to the afore d<sup>d</sup> Committee, and they to Advise and Labour as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting -

Joseph  
Gifford  
Case

The Committee Appointed on the account of Joseph Gifford Make a Satisfactory Report, therefore his paper is accepted Provided he cause it to be read Publickly at the End of a first day meeting for worship, before next monthly meeting, he being present, and Return it to next monthly meeting and Report of its being read

Barnabas  
Howland  
Case

Barnabas Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> hath Given in a paper to this meeting, Condemning his disorderly Marriage, therefore the matter is Refer'd under the care of Samuel Smith & W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr and they to make Report to the next monthly meeting -



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Belittle Barker Little hath Produced a Removal Certificate from  
Produced at the Monthly Meeting of Pembroke which hath been read  
and Accepted

Howland Isaac Howland jr<sup>r</sup> hath Produced a Removal Certificate from  
Produced at the Monthly Meeting of What Island which hath been read  
and Accepted

Paul Roberts This Meeting hath Given Paul Russell a few Lines to the monthly  
Certificate Meeting of Sandwich Signifying our unity with his Visit  
This Meeting hath collected £10-14-11 old Tennes. and the  
Treasurer is order'd to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for  
keeping the meeting house half a year, and also to pay  
John Sanford half a Dollar.

2<sup>d</sup> Mo. } At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18 of the  
1771 } 2<sup>d</sup> month 1771, the Representatives are Samuel Smith and  
Thos Hicks both present

Wm Barker & Barzillai Tucker Report that they attended  
the Marriage of Joseph Gifford jr<sup>r</sup> & Hannah Wainflow, which  
was Consummated in Good order

The Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint  
of Benj<sup>n</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> & Peleg Shearman against Humphry Smith  
Report that they have made some progress therein, and desire  
one month longer for that service which is Granted,

Thos Hicks hath Procured a Quire of paper for this Meeting  
which Cost 11/3 old Tennes.

Joseph Trafford's Paper hath been Read according to the Ap-  
pointment of Last monthly Meeting & Pictard to this Meeting  
which Paper is as followeth (viz)

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth  
Respected friends  
With sorrow I have to Acknowledge my misconduct in  
falling into the Reproachful sin of Fornication for which  
I am heartily and sincerely Sorry, and do Condemn the  
same

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same with all other my outgoing, and Desiring forgiveness  
from the Almighty, and that friends would so far pass by my  
misconduct as to Let me Remain under their Care -  
Given forth by your friend this 17<sup>th</sup> of the 11 mo: 1770  
Joseph Trafford

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell Ten  
Dollars for keeping the meeting house a year but has not  
paid John Sanford as order'd therefore he is still Continued to pay  
John Sanford & to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting;  
Wm Anthony jr<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith Report that they have  
Treated with Barnabas Howland jr<sup>r</sup> Respecting his dishonourly Mar-  
riage, and that he Give them some Satisfaction, Therefore they  
are still Continued in the same service and to make Report  
when they think Necessary

The Greatest part of the Com<sup>tee</sup> Appointed to Inquire into the Complaint  
of Walter Corneal against Sedediah Allen Report as followeth which  
is accepted by this Meeting

According to appointment of Last Monthly Meeting we  
have Inspected into the Reason of Sedediah Allen's Refusing to Sway  
Walter Corneal in the Discharging their Mother Woods Debt according  
to the Judgment of the Arbitrators that settled that affair & according to the  
best of our understanding, we have to Inform that although it fell  
somewhat hard upon Mr Allen, yet we think Walter Corneal suffers Equally  
with him in said Judgment, and as they have bound themselves to  
perform the same we Advise Mr Allen to Comply therewith  
Likewise we understand there is some Debts that was not brought  
in to the Arbitrators to Judge on, that was made by Sedediah Woods we  
think them Dont belong to Sedediah Allen and Walter Corneal to pay  
unless them Arbitrators think it proper & Reasonable  
from your Committee this 15<sup>th</sup> Day 2<sup>mo</sup> 1771 Wm Anthony jr<sup>r</sup> Caleb Russell  
Barzillai Tucker Joseph Barker

The said Allen Refusing to Comply with the said Judgment  
Therefore this Meeting do Appoint Abraham Tucker, Joseph  
Tucker and John Potter to Labour with said Allen to Comply



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therewith as they may find freedom and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Prince Allen hath given in a Paper to this Meeting  
Condemning his saying that if Thomas Briggs had got such a Receipt as he said he had he made it, which Paper hath been Read & Considered in this Meeting and Accepted

To Review meetings minutes Samuel Smith Job Russell, W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>, John Foster and Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks are Appointed to Review this Meeting's Minutes to see what part they may think proper to go on Record, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Complaint against David Pifford  
The overseers have Exhibited a Complaint against David Pifford Jun<sup>r</sup> as Charged on Oath by Meribah Hammond deceased of being the father of her Child, and also for denying a matter of fact between himself & Jabez Hammond, for which they have Labour'd with him, and he declines to Condemn his offences. Therefore this Meeting do Appoint Abraham Tucker, and Paul Russell to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

The following paper of W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> ought to have been Recorded in page 178 but was omitted by reason of not coming to hand

Confession of W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>  
To the Monthly Meeting to be held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> month 1770.  
Esteemed friend & Brethren  
These are to Inform that in the year 1768 I was indebted to John Russell for a Large Sum of Money, and the time being expired for payment, and he calling for his pay; I not having near all the money to pay him, I propos'd for to Answer part of the money due to him, by giving Notes to his Creditors, which he Consented to, and I being under an Engagement to go a Voyage to pertuissey, and being disappointed at that time

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about Answering to some of his Creditors as afore said, I then Inconsiderately Proceeded the Voyage before there was a full Settlement between the S<sup>r</sup> Russell & I, which gave him cause to think hard of me, the which I am sorry for and do condemn, and I desire Friends to pass by my offences in that respect  
From your friend W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>



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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>d</sup> Month 1775. - The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Wm. Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> both present

J. Sanford is present

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid John Sanford L<sup>rd</sup> 2<sup>d</sup> old Tenee according to Appointment.

Jedidiah Allen refuses to comply

The Committee appointed to Labour with Jedidiah Allen to Comply with the Judgment of this meeting in regard to his Mother Woods debts, Reports that the said Allen still Refuses to Comply with the afore<sup>d</sup> Judgment, therefore they are still Continued in the same Service, and to make Report to the next Monthly

Anna Smiths Certificate

Anna Smith hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket which hath been Read and Accepted

Minutes Reviewed

The Committee appointed to Review this meetings Minutes to see what part they may think proper to be Recorded, Report they have fulfilled their Appointment and Samuel Smith hath undertook to Record them

The Greatest part of the Committee appointed to Inquire into the Complaint of Benj<sup>n</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> and Peleg Shearman Against Humphrey Smith Report as followeth, which is Accepted

Report respecting H. Smith & the Complaint

According to appointment of the Monthly Meeting we had Humphrey Smith & the Shearman, together to inspect into the Controversy Quered if Gifford had been kept to, and by Inquiring we found that before they enterd their Complaint to the meeting one of the over seers taking a friend with him went to P. Smith with Tho<sup>s</sup> Shearman on the affair, which appeared to us according to Good order, then P. Smith Demanded a Copy of the Complaint which after Consideration we thought best for him not to have without he would promise to make no use thereof in the Law, which promise he Refused, then we offered that a friend should wait with him as long as he thought proper, to persue and Consider the Complaint, and he might call in friends to advise with but not suffer any Copy to be taken, and then Give us an Answer, which offer P. Smith Refused Complying with - Then we desired said Smith to Give us some reasons why he Refused to Leave the

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the Affair to men by he declined giving us any, for we found the Shearman would Leave it to men by their Equally chosen or the meeting might Choose them, and they would be bound to abide Judgment, and the Shearman say there is a Number of Judicious Neighbours, are ready to say that Smiths Evidence in Court Contradicts the known matters of fact but yet they offer'd to settle the whole affare by friends, as afore said, and we have made much Inquiring in regard to it, touching Titles of Land and find that said Smith and the Shearman written Titles, jointly Concern, and the dispute is only in settling the Line, and our Judgment is that whose friend hold Land under Vouchers, not to Compel them to Leave to Arbitration, but in this Controversy we find that the Shearman are willing that a Number of Surveyors, should take said Smiths Deed and by the Return therein, Run the Line as they shall think Just & Right, and they will be bound to abide by the same, which appears to us that the Shearman Contend for no Land that P. Smith hold, under a Voucher, therefore our Judgment is that said Smith ought to Leave the Controversy to men or Render sufficient Reason why, which he declines - from your Committee the 18<sup>th</sup> the 3<sup>d</sup> month 1771

Joseph Barker  
Nob. Case  
Gideon Howland  
Wm Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>  
Barzillai Tucker

Humphrey Smiths Case

This Meeting doth Appoint Joseph Tucker & Abraham to Inform said Smith of the Judgment of this meeting, and to Labour as they may find a freedom and make Report to the adjournment

David Gifford Case

The Committee appointed to Labour with David Gifford Report they have discharged themselves in Labouring with said Gifford and he Give them no Satisfaction, therefore this Meeting being Clear of any further Labour with him do Appoint Wm Barker & Barzillai Tucker to draft a paper of Remoal against him, and also Inform him of their Appointment, and make Return to the next Monthly Meeting

Report of meetings in H. Smiths Case

The friends appointed to have the care of the Respective meetings, which were held orderly & to Satisfaction - The over seers have Exhibited a Complaint against Vabey Barker who were held for suffering two of his Children to be married in his house the Barker would weay, for which they have Laboured with him, and he declines, to Condemn his deponer, therefore This Meeting do Appoint Barnabas Mosher & Tho<sup>s</sup> Wickes to Labour with him as they may find freedom and to make Report to the next Monthly Meeting



*P. Shearman* Likewise Inform That Philip Shearman hath Married  
 and therefore this meeting do Appoint Wm Sanford & Job Russell to Labour  
 with him as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next  
 monthly Meeting, They also Inform that Abraham Richeson  
 hath been in the Practice of Running horses, for which they have  
 Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn his offence therefore  
 offenders This Meeting doth Appoint Tho: Hicks & Phillips Allen to Labour  
 with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the  
 next monthly Meeting -

*adjourn* This meeting hath Collected in old tenor - - - £ 6 - 5 - 10  
 This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting  
 of worship - - -

*mett* This Meeting being met according to adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> the  
 3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1771. The Representatives being Called both Present -  
 The Suries have been Read & Answered in this meeting - - -

*Request for advice to the Quarterly Meeting* This Meeting taking into Consideration the Practice of diverse  
 persons amongst us in going out of the orders friends in marriage  
 It is therefore Recommended to the Quarterly meeting for advice, whether  
 it may not be sufficient in that case for overseers or Visitors to  
 re-admonish them, and then for the meeting to proceed to disown  
 them if they persist in their disorder, without any further Labor  
 with them -

*H. Smith Requests an appeal* The friends Appointed to Inform Humphry Smith of the Judgment of  
 this meeting, Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment and  
 Laboured with him to Comply with the Judgment, which he declines, and  
 Requests an Appeal to the Quarterly Meeting which is Granted -

*Friends called to Quarterly meeting* Paul Russell, Wm Anthony jr and Caleb Russell are appointed  
 to attend the Quarterly meeting and Present the Epistle with the  
 Answers to the Suries, and they to present Preposit Humphry  
 Smiths Appeal, and to produce such papers, and minutes as shall appear  
 Necessary in that case, and to make Report to the next monthly  
 meeting - The said Epistle was Signed in this meeting by the Clerk

*H. 4 mo: 1771* At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> mo: 1771  
 The Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Samuel Smith  
 both present

*Jonathan Tucher* Jonathan Tucher and Mehetabel Mosher declared their Intentions  
 of Marriage, and were desired to wait Till the next monthly  
 meeting for their Answer, and Joseph Gifford & Barzillai Tucher  
 are appointed to Inquire into the young man's cleareness Respecting  
 Marriage and conversation, and Make Report to the next  
 monthly Meeting -

*order to draw a denial against Allen* one of the Committee that had the care of Jedidiah Allens case  
 Reports that he still declines to Comply with the Judgment of this  
 Meeting, therefore this Meeting believing that we are clear of  
 any farther Labour with him, and do Appoint Nicolas Howland  
 and Wm Anthony jr to draft a paper of denial against P<sup>r</sup>  
 Allen, and to Inform him of their Appointment and make  
 Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

*D. Gifford denial* The friends Appointed to draft a paper of denial against David  
 Gifford jr have drafted & brought so paper to this Meeting which  
 hath been Signed by the Clerk, and he is appointed to read said  
 paper at the close of a first day meeting for worship, before the  
 next monthly meeting & then to make Report - and Joseph Mosher  
 is appointed to serve P<sup>r</sup> Gifford with a Copy of his denial, and  
 make Report to the next monthly Meeting - - -

*Philip Shearman case referred* The friends Appointed to Labour with Philip Shearman Report that  
 they have not had an opportunity to Labour with him both together  
 therefore the matter is Refered under their care until the next  
 Monthly Meeting, and then to make Report - - -

*Abraham Richeson* The Committee Appointed to Labour with Abraham Richeson  
 Report that they have not had an opportunity fully to discharge  
 themselves, therefore the matter is Refered under their care one  
 month longer, and then to make Report -

*Report from Quarterly meeting* The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report  
 they all attended according to appointment, and have pro-  
 duced an Epistle from the same, which hath been Read, and  
 the Contents are Recommended to friends Notice & observation

*Humphry Smith to be informed* and Samuel Smith & Wm Anthony jr are appointed to In-  
 form Humphry Smith of the above Contents Respecting his Reque-  
 est or appeal to s<sup>t</sup> Meeting, & give him a copy of it Compt if he Comply with the  
 Epistle  
*Jabez Barker case* The Com<sup>tee</sup> appointed to Labour with Jabez Barker jr Report  
 that they have Laboured with him, and he declines to Condemn  
 his



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his fault to their Satisfaction, therefore the matter is referred under their care one month longer, and then to make Report

The said Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting informs us that their Comtee appointed to view our meeting House made the following Report, which was accepted by the Quarterly Meeting

Judgment of the Quarterly Meeting respecting Meeting House

To the Quarterly Meeting of friends next to be held at Post month on Rhode Island.

We the subscribers Agreeable to the appointment of the Quarterly Meeting having viewed and examined the Meeting house at Apponaugset, there being a Number of friends belonging to Dartmouth Monthly Meeting then present, and it is our Judgment that it will be best to Repair it -

Notwithstanding we think it might be well for the Quarterly Meeting to leave them at their Liberty to Rebuild if they should still prefer it, and if Rebuilt we think a house of the following dimensions would be sufficient (viz) Sixty feet in Length, and thirty five feet in width and twenty feet high  
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Abraham Basher  
Moses Farnum  
Thos Gould Junr  
Jacob Mott Junr  
Wm Readwood

And our Representatives from the Quarterly Meeting inform us Verbally that the Q Meeting concluded to leave it at the discretion of the Monthly Meeting, in regard to disowning of persons that Marry out of the unity of friends, without dealing with them Marriage after they have been Pre-caution'd before marriage

One of the overseers informs that Stephen Merichew hath Married out of the unity of friends, and that he hath Laboured with him therefor, and he declines to condemn his offense, therefore This Meeting doth appoint Cabel Russell & James Davis to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and to make Report to the next monthly meeting -

At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1771. The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Wm Ashbury Junr both present

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The friends Appointed to Inquire into Jonathan Tuckers Clearness respecting Marriage & Conversation Report that they have made Inquery & do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in Marriage, and the s<sup>r</sup> Jonathan Tucker appears for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time before next Monthly Meeting, advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, and Joseph Gifford & Barzillai Tucker are appointed to see their Marriage Consummated in good order & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting -

Case of Jonathan Tucker

The friend Appointed to draft a paper of Denial against Jedidiah Allen Report they have not it, and they have rendered a Reason for their omission, Therefore the matter is referred under their care until next monthly Meeting, and they to draft a paper if they think necessary, and then to make Report  
Joseph Tucker Reports that he hath served David Gifford with a Copy of his Denial, and also his denial hath been read according to the Appointment of Last Monthly Meeting, and is as followeth

Case of Jedidiah Allen

Case of David Gifford

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1771. Whereas David Gifford Junr having had his Education amongst friends, but by not giving heed to that unerring Guide & Teacher the Spirit of Truth in his own heart he has so far deviated from our Christian Profession, that he has been accused and charged on oath by Meribah Hammond decaast of being the father of her Child, & also denying a matter of fact between himself & Jabez Hammond, for which offences friends having Laboured with him in order to bring him to a True sense of his Transgressions, but their Labour of Love in that respect proving ineffectual, he not condemning the same to friends Satisfaction Therefore for the clearing of Truth & our Christian profession from such Reproaches, we can do no less than testify against him, & do hereby disown him the s<sup>r</sup> David Gifford from being one in unity with us, and under our care, Notwithstanding desiring if it be Consistent with divine pleasure, that he yet may be brought to a True Sight & sense of his offences, & through a true and unfeigned Repentance and Reformation receive his



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man denyd

The women friends, Inform that they have denied Anne Shearman wife of Philip Shearman for Marrying out of the unity of friends which this meeting concurs with -  
Our Esteemed friend Joseph Oxley hath Visited this Meeting with his Certificate from the Monthly Meeting in Norwich Old England bearing date the 23<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1770. with Concurring Certificate from the Quarterly Meeting held at Norwich for the County of Norfolk the 28<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> mo: 1770, and from the yearly meeting of Ministers the 11<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1770, Certifying from whence he came that they had Good unity with his Concern, and also his Publick and Private Carector, and his ministry Sound & Living, which have been read in this meeting to good Satisfaction and his Visit kindly accepted

This Meeting hath Collected L 8 3s 2<sup>d</sup> Old Jenner and the Treasurer is order'd to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year and make Report to the next monthly meeting

This Meeting Adjourns to the first sixth day in next month after the meeting of worship -

At a monthly meeting held by adjournment the 4<sup>th</sup> mo: 1771 The Representatives being called both present -

The Committee Appointed to inquire into the Complaint of George Winthrop Against Joseph Rotch Report that said Rotch hath Complied to fulfill the Judgment of the Arbitrators

J. Baskin, Jabez Baskin jun<sup>r</sup> Requests an Appeal from the Judgment of this Meeting to the Quarterly Meeting which is Granted

Samuel Smith, W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>, Barzillai Tucker & Jonathan Hussey are Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and Convey the Epistle with the answers to the Queries, and present the business from this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and make Report to the next monthly Meeting, The above<sup>d</sup> Epistle was signed in this meeting

Complaint against B. Shearman whereas Benj<sup>n</sup> Shearman hath Neglected to attend Religious Meetings both for worship & discipline for some years past, and now Refuses to condemn the same, therefore this Meeting do Appoint Job Russell, Hideon Howland, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks, & Barzillai Tucker to Labour with him as they may find freedom, and make Report to the next monthly meeting -

Order to pay  
Tim Russell

See Rotch  
case settled

J. Baskin  
appeal

Representatives

Complaint  
against  
B. Shearman

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At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo: 1771 The Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> & Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland 2<sup>d</sup> S<sup>r</sup> Howland not being present by Reason of his wife being not well The friends Appointed to draft a paper of denial against Jedidah Allen Report that they have not done it by Reason that some of the Arbitrators are not fully Satisfied in their Settlement between said parties, therefore this Meeting do Appoint Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jun<sup>r</sup>, Barzillai Tucker, Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks to meet with Courts monthly Meeting and Request said Meeting to Appoint a Committee to assist to bring said parties (as some of them belong there) to a Rehearing, and to make Report as soon as they can Conviniently

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment, and they have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read & kindly Accepted, and Likewise the London Printed Epistle for the year 1770 hath been Read to good Satisfaction, and the Contents earnestly Recommended to friends Notice & observation -

The friends Appointed to Labour with Benj<sup>n</sup> Shearman for his Neglect of attending Religious Meetings Report they have not all of them had an opportunity to discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are still Continued in that Service, and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting

The Appeal of Humphrey Smith is Retained to this meeting again in order for him to Render his Reason for not Resolving his Controversy to Arbitration if he still declines the same, therefore do Appoint W<sup>m</sup> Mosher, Caleb Russell, Job Russell, W<sup>m</sup> Sanford and Adam Gifford to hear the Reason and Judge whether they be Sufficient or not, and to make Report to the next monthly Meeting -

Jonathan Hussey and Job Russell are Appointed to Serve Jabez Baskin jun<sup>r</sup> with a Copy of his denial and Accusation, and to make Report next monthly Meeting

The Quarterly Requests of this meeting to Collect four pounds Sterling, and send it up to the next Quarterly meeting for the supply of the stock in the yearly meeting of London -

The time being Expired that the overseers were appointed in their Service, therefore they are Continued in that Service one month longer -

Jedidah  
Allen  
case

Report  
of the  
Quarterly  
Meeting

Benj<sup>n</sup>  
Shearman  
case

Humphrey  
Smith  
case

J. Baskin  
case  
settled

Overseers  
continued



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The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the meeting House half a year as appointed by Last monthly Meeting  
J. Smith Tho' Smith and family have Removed into the Compas of the Certifiat meeting to Luce, and have Produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Nantucket which hath been read & accept

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>mo</sup> 1771 The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hickey both present The friends appointed to Labour with Benj<sup>r</sup> Sherman for his Neglecting of attending Religious meetings, Report that they have treated with him and he Declines to Condemn his Disorder their Satisfaction which is refer'd to the Next monthly meeting for further Consideration

Report on the Case of Benj<sup>r</sup> Sherman

The friends appointed to serve Sabel Barker ju with a copy of his Accusation & Denial, Report if they have answered their Appointment  
The Committee appointed to Treat with Humphry Smith and hear his Reasons on account of his appeal being Return'd back from the Quarterly Meeting Report as followeth

Report on the Case of Humphry Smith

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Jacob Chase Certificate Return'd

Overseers appointed

Overseers of poor Appoin

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Benj<sup>r</sup> Sherman Case, Ford

Hump Smith case

Committee to Repair Meeting house

Representatives to Quarterly meeting

Money paid for Smith's

Complaint against Th<sup>r</sup>

Whereas Jacob Chase had a Removal Certificate to Rhode Island Monthly meeting and now he hath Remov'd back again within the Compas of this meeting much sooner than he Expected, and Return'd said Certificate which we Except  
Daniel Cornel William Mofher William Barker Jonathan Hickey William Anthony jr & Tho' Hicks, Are appointed Overseers for the year Infeuing

Caleb Russell Barzilla Tucker Joseph Barker Gideon Howland & Philip Allen, Are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year Infeuing

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 6<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1771 the Representatives are William Anthony jr & Tho' Hicks Present The matter concerning Benj<sup>r</sup> Sherman is refer'd to next Monthly meeting for further Consideration --- The Committee appointed to serve Humphry Smith with a Copy of the Judgment of this meeting, and Labour with him to Comply therewith report that they have answered their appointment, and said Smith Declines to Comply therewith, therefore this Meeting Doth appoint Benj<sup>r</sup> Smith jr and Abraham Howland to Inform said Smith if he Dont Comply with the Judgment of this meeting he may Expect to be Den'd, and make Report to next Meeting

This Meeting comes to a Conclusion to Repair our Meeting house in Doneyanget, and do appoint John Potter Tho' Hicks and William Anthony Junr, To Shingled, Howe and Repair it as they think Proper, and they are Desir'd to Accomplish said Business as soon as may be and then to make Report to this Meeting  
The Queries hath been Read & answered in this Meeting  
this Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting and Appoint Joseph Tucker William Anthony jr William Mofher and Job Russell to Attend the Quarterly meeting and to Present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries, & Represent the Business of this Meeting & make Report to the next Monthly Meeting  
This meeting hath collected four pounds five Shillings Lawfull money for the Use of Smith's Monthly meeting and sent up by our Representatives  
The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against Abraham Sherman for taking too much spiritous Liker for



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for which they have Labour'd with him and he still Refuseth them  
therefore this Meeting doth appoint William Sanford & Job Russell  
to Labour with him as they may find freedom & make Report  
to nex monthly meeting

Committee  
Report of  
J. W. Kniss

The Committee appointed from this monthly <sup>meeting</sup> & Coarped meeting  
to Inquire into the Controversy subsisting between the heirs of  
Sedediah Wood. Report as followeth  
According to the appointment of the Monthly Meetings to  
which we belong, We having inspectid into the Reasons why  
one of heirs of Sedediah Wood Refuses to Comply with the Judgment  
of the Arbitrators which was mutually Chosen by them, as  
appear by Articles of agreement under their hands  
And have to Inform as followeth — That we had the said  
heirs & Arbitrators together, in order to Inquire into all Circum-  
stances Relating thereto, And we find there is some things brought  
to light that was not Laid before the Arbitrators to Judge upon  
(altho their Judgment Expresses the whole) Which <sup>appearing</sup> some of the  
Arbitrators, gave them some Uneasiness therein, & we by Inspection  
finding those things not Consider'd nor Judge upon, Give this  
forth as our Advice and Judgment that if said Parties doth not  
settle those matters & things between themselves, than they lay  
all those things & matters not Consider'd, Befor said Arbitrators  
in order that the same may be fully Completed and settled as they  
shall think Just & Right, And also Rectifie what they formerly  
Judge upon if they shall find Necessary.

Given forth this 26 Day of 8<sup>mo</sup> 1771 by your friends

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| Thos Hicks       | David Davell  |
| Wm Anthony       | Joshua Davel  |
| Barzillai Tucker | Joseph Barker |

The above Report being Accepted

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 20<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1771  
The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey  
both present. The matter Concerning Benj<sup>n</sup> Sherman is  
Referred to next monthly meeting for further Consideration  
This meeting hath Signed a Removal Certificate for  
Elizabeth Potter wife to Benj<sup>n</sup> Potter to the monthly meeting  
of the Nine Partners in the Province of New York

Case of Benj<sup>n</sup>  
Sherman  
Referred  
E. Potter  
Certificate

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M. Faber  
Certificate

J. Rotch  
Certificate

H. Smiths  
appeal

Received  
Epistles from  
Yearly Meeting  
of the 11<sup>th</sup>

Certificate  
Received  
Removal for  
R. Nichol &  
M. Spencer

H. Allen  
Deny'd

and also Signed a Removal Certificate for Marthow Faber to  
the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich  
Josep Rotch Jr. hath Requested from London and hath Produced a  
Certificate from the two weeks meeting held in London of 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1771  
which hath been Read to Satisfaction of this meeting

The friends appointed to Inform Humphry Smith of the Judgment  
of the last monthly meeting & also to Inform him if he dont Comply  
therewith he may expect to be Denied. Report that they have  
Answered their appointment and said Smith Requests an appeal  
from the above Judgment, to the Quarterly Meeting which  
this Meeting grants

The friends appointed to Labour with Abraham Sherman  
Report, that they took an opportunity and treated with said  
Sherman and he gave them some Satisfaction therefore the  
matter is Referred under the Care of the afore<sup>d</sup> friends & they  
to make Report to the next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report  
that they all Attended according to appointment and have  
Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read  
to good Satisfaction, also Received two Transcripts of Yearly, most  
Epistles one from the yearly Meeting held in Philadelphia  
for Pennsylvania & New-Jersey by Adjournments from the  
22<sup>nd</sup> of 3<sup>mo</sup> 1770 to the 28<sup>th</sup> Inclusive

The other from the yearly Meeting held in Newport on Rhod-  
Island by Adjournments from the 14<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1770 to 17<sup>th</sup> of the  
same Inclusive, Which hath been Read to good Satisfaction  
and the Contents thereof are Earnestly Recommended to  
friends observation

The Women friends Inform, they have Received two Removal  
Certificates from the Monthly Meeting of Rhodifland  
one for Rhodney Mitchel wife of James Nichel — The other  
for Mary Spencer, which this Meeting Excepts

The Women likewise Inform that they have Denied Hope Allen  
wife of John Allen for marring of the the Unity of friends  
which this meeting concurs with



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J. Barker  
acknowledg-  
ment

Whereas Jabez Barker Juner hath been Denied some months  
past for suffering two of his Children to be Morned in his house  
and now the said Barker appearing in this meeting and  
Verbally Desired friends, & this Meeting to pass it by  
and offer a space of Silence this Meeting find freedom to  
pass by his afore said fault, and to Receive him under friends  
Care again

Report on  
the case of  
B. Howland  
Senior

The friends that was appointed some time past to treat with  
Barnabus Howland on the account of his Disorderly marriage  
now Report that he gave them no Satisfaction and they also  
Report that he hath fallen into the sin of Fornication as  
appears by his wives having a Child so soon after Marriage  
therefore this Meeting do appoint William Anthony Jr. & Samuel  
Smith to Labour further with him and make Report to  
the next monthly meeting

friends to  
oversee  
of Lofts

John Potter Barrillai Tucker Tho. Hicks Joseph Barker  
Gideon Howland William Anthony Jr are Appointed to have  
the Over sight of the Lofts & other Seats at our Insuing year  
Meeting to Indeaavour to prevent any Indecent Behaviour that  
may be liable to happen at that time and to make Report  
to the next monthly meeting

Complaint  
against  
B. Howland  
Sadler

The Overseers hat Brought a Complaint against Benja  
Howland Sadler for abusing Benja Smith in Threating words  
and Expressions and cutting Down his fruit trees, and also B  
Howlands Pictures Trespassing on him, for which Disorder  
the Overseers hat Laboured with him for and he Refuses to  
indeavour to settle it to their Satisfaction therefore this

Committee  
appointed

Meeting Doth appoint Joseph Barker & Wm Sandford to  
Labour with him & to Judge & Delirmine and make Report  
to the next Monthly Meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the  
18 of 1<sup>mo</sup> 1771 - The Representatives are Caleb Russell  
and Jonathan Huxey both present

Report on  
the case of  
B. Howland  
Senior

The friends appointed to Labour with Barnabus Howland  
Juner Report, that they have Laboured with him  
and he Declines to condemn his Disorder therefore

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Report of friends  
over the  
Lofts

The above said friends are appointed to Draw a paper of Social  
against B. Howland and inform him of their appointment  
and make Report to the next Monthly Meeting

Report on the  
Case of Abrahm  
Shearman

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the Lofts &c  
at our yearly Meeting, Report that most of them attended  
the three Days, and that the People behaved in a Depru orderly

Case of Benja  
Howland Sadler

The friends Intrusted with the care of the case of Abraham Shearman  
Report that they had had an opportunity to Discharge their  
trust therefor the case is Reford as heretofore and to make  
Report to next meeting

Wm Russells  
Request

The friends appointed to Labour with Benja Howland  
and to Judge and Determine in a matter between B. Howland  
and Benja Smith Report that they have made some progress  
but have not gone through, therefore they are still continued  
in the same Service and to make Report to next meeting

Reading notes  
of Abrahm Confor

William Russell Requests to be taken under friends Care  
therefore Caleb Russell & James Davis is appointed to Enquire  
into his Conversation & to take an opportunity of Sollicit  
Conferance with him in order to Discover whether his  
motive be from the bottom of true Conviction and make  
Report to next meeting

M. and Ann  
Howland  
admitted mem<sup>rs</sup>

It hath been brought to this meeting from the Preparative  
whether it be consistent with friends Discipline for  
a friend to sell a note of hand which he had from a  
friend Payable to him or his order. Therefore this meeting  
Do appoint, Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith Barrillai Tucker Wm Anthony Jr  
James Davis Joseph Gifford John Potter Jonathan Huxey  
to consider of the above P matter and bring in their Judgment  
in behalf of this Meeting and make Report to next meeting

Wm set request  
Com<sup>tee</sup>

The women friends inform that they have minuted  
Mehetabel & Ann Howland Daughters of Isaac Howland  
under their Care which this meeting Consents with  
Acakuet monthly meeting Requests this meeting  
to appoint a Com<sup>tee</sup> to Join them to Labour



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with the heirs of Jedediah & Heriah Wood to Comply with the advice of the Committee which was appointed some months past. This meeting adjourns to the 27 Day of this month after the meeting for Worship

adjourn

next  
Month  
11<sup>mo</sup> 1775

This Meeting met according to Adjournment of 27<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>mo</sup> 1775 the Representatives being called one Present of other not by Reason of his being gone to Nantucket. This meeting appointed a Committee agreeable to the above said minute who are William Anthony Jr Barsillai Tucker Job Russell and they to Labour and advise as they think best and make Report to the next Meeting

B. S.  
Censure

Benj<sup>a</sup> Sherman hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning his Disorder in not attending meetings several years past which is referred to next meeting

Complaint  
against  
L. Smith

The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against Samuel Smith for Marring out of the Unity of Friends for which they have timely Precautioned him and he Persisted therein therefore this meeting do appoint Abraham Tucker and Barsillai Tucker to Labour with him as soon as they can conveniently & make Report

Request  
for a meet  
house in  
Allen Neck

The Friends in Allen Neck Request some Assistance or Advice in regard to their holding a meeting in said Neck they being under some Difficulty in regard to a house to hold their meeting in therefore this Meeting doth Appoint John Potter William Anthony Jr Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks Caleb Russell to pay them a Visit and Consider wheather it may be best for them to build themselves a Meeting house or not and also to Consider wheather they continue to hold a Meeting there or not & make Report to next meeting

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J. Barker  
and  
Dealing

Whereas Jabez Barker Jr appeard in our Monthly meeting at the tenth month past and made an Acknowledgment which was then Accepted, and he appearing in the monthly meeting held the 11<sup>mo</sup> 1775 in the first sitting of said meeting and would not own what he had done in regard to suffering his children to be married in his house was a Break of order, which causes this meeting to be Dissatisfied with his sd Acknowledgment therefore this meeting do appoint Samuel Smith Barsillai Tucker Prince Allen to Labour with him in order to show him his mistake and make Report to next meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Daymouth Dec<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1775 the Representatives are Wm. Anthony Jr and Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith both Present. This meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against Barnabus Howland Senior for the sin of fornication and the Clerk is Appointed to Read said paper at the Close of a Fast day meeting for Worship before the next Monthly meeting and at said meeting to make Report of its being Read

B. H. paper  
of Denial

Care of Abraham  
Sherman Report

The Friends that had the Care of the case of Abraham Sherman Report that they Desire one month longer time which is granted them, and then they to make Report

Report of friends  
that signed  
acknowledgment  
forwards

The friends that was appointed to visit Acossett Monthly meetings Committee to Labour & Advise with the heirs of Jedediah Wood Report that they have being sd Committee and bestowed some labour and Advice, And the matter Remains unsettled

Care of Benj<sup>a</sup>  
Howland

The Committee appointed to Labour with Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland Todler and to Judge & Determine a matter between said Howland and Benj<sup>a</sup> Smith Report as followeth

Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland  
acknowledgment

which is accepted & Howland hath made an Acknowledgment to this meeting which is Exp'd



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The friends appointed to treat with Wm Russell on account of his Request Report that they have Discharg'd themselves in that respect, And that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore it was Refer'd to the Adjournment

To build a meeting  
house in Allen's  
neck

The Committed appointed to Consider on account of the friends Request, in Allen's Neck to build a Meeting house there and also to hold a meeting there this winter. Report that they think best not to build a meeting house there at present but in regard to holding a meeting they think it may be well with the Provisional that they can accommodate themselves with a house suitable therefore their Request is Granted in regard to holding a meeting as usual and Daniel Connel & Philip Allen is appointed to see the meeting held agreeable to Good order and to make Report to next month

meeting in Allen's  
neck granted

The Women friends inform this meeting that they have minuted Waltham Spencer a member under their fair which Received this meeting concurs with This meeting adjourns to adjourn the 25 Instant after the meeting of worship

met

W: Russell

Received

This Meeting meet by Adjournment the 25 of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1775 the Representatives both Present. Samuel Smith is chosen Clerk for this Day. William Russell is Received under the care of this meeting

Committee

Respecting

Notes of hand

payable

to them

or their

orders

and as

on the

one hand

we do

not

The friends appointed to Judge and Determine Respecting the Selling Notes of hand Report as followeth which is Express'd According to the Appointment of the monthly meeting we have meet and Consider'd the matter Respecting friends Selling of notes of hand payable to them or their orders; And as on the one hand we do not think it Reasonable to prohibit friends from selling all or any kind of such securities in a way just Commerce - So on the other hand we think it not Consistant with the Discipline of friends, for any friend to sell such a Note to an Attorney or any Else that he

hath

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hath on a friend with Intention for the said friend to be prosecuted in the Law, of which said Intention the circumstances of such particular Cases if any such happen will sufficiently demonstrate and friends of the monthly meeting are the proper Judges thereof According as the wisdom of truth shall Direct

Given forth and Dated this 28 Day of the 12<sup>th</sup> mo 1775

Jonathan Pappay William Anthony  
Joseph Gifford Samuel Smith  
John Potter Basilai Tucker

in on the floor  
of Sederick  
Wood's cafe

The Committed appointed to give Lecture Committee in labouring with the heirs of Sederick Wood are Continued and to make report as soon as Convenience will admitt

Ben Sherman  
paper

Benja Sherman hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Declining to attend meetings also his pretending to prophecy which this meeting accepts provided he cause a paper to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first Day meeting for worship at any convenient time before the next monthly meeting he being Present, said paper is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be held in Dartmouth the 16 of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1775

Ben Sherman  
paper of Confession

Dear Friends whereas I have been Nipled through Imagination so far as not to attend Religious meetings for several years past which is contrary to the good Order of friends and also in pretending to prophesy or foretell future things all which I am fully perswaded was wrong and I am hestly sorry for and do Condemn and I Desire friends would pass it by with all the rest of my butgoing As far as to let me Remain under their care from your friend Benjamin Sherman



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The friends appointed to Labour with Sabez Barker jr Report as followeth which is Decept

Committee  
to Labour  
with S. B.

According to appointment of Last Monthly Meeting we have Discontinued with Sabez Barker jr on the account of his suffering his Daughters to be married in his house, And had a Long conference with him on that subject, Endeavouring according to our Abilities to convince him of his Error therein we likewise shew'd him a Copy of part of a minute made in our yearly meeting in the year 1708, Which we think is very clear against such conduct as his, yet he would by no means condemn the same, nor yet own that he had broken any order of Friends, but used many words tending to justify himself therein

Given forth this 16<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1771 by your friends

Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith  
Prince Allen  
Barzillia Tucker

And the matter is refer'd to the next monthly meeting, and the same Committee are still continued in the same Service and Abraham Tucker & Caleb Russell are aded to them & they to make Report to the next meeting

B. R. G  
paper

Barnabus Russell hath Given in a paper to this meeting condemning his assisting in a tumultuous riot which is accepted Provided he cause the same to be Read Publickly at the Close of a first Day meeting for worship between this & the next monthly meeting he being present and Return a paper to next meeting

B. Russell  
intention of  
marriage

Barnabus Russell Proposes his Intention of Marriage with Anna Howland at the Preparative meeting but he having fallen into the aforesaid disorder it is refer'd to the next Monthly meeting

Bedford  
friends  
Request  
to build  
meeting  
house

The friends at Bedford Request this meeting to consider whether it may not be expedient to build a meeting house in or near said place therefore this meeting do appoint Abraham Tucker Wm Sanford Wm Mather Barzillia Tucker Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith Prince Allen Jonathan Hussey to consider

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of said matter and bring in their Judgment to the meeting as soon as they can conveniently

P. Howland  
paper

Gideon Howland hath Given in a paper Condemning his unbecoming Expressions & falling into a bodily strife with Stephanick Anthony which this meeting accepts Provided he cause the same to be Read Publickly as usual and Return the same to next meeting

Representatives  
to the  
Meeting

The Duties have been Read and Answer'd And the Answers approved, likewise an Epistle proposed and sign'd all which are sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Caleb Russell Wm Mather Job Russell & Wm Anthony jr and Report of Doings to next monthly meeting

John Williams  
Certificate

John Williams hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Sandwich Certifying him to be in unity with friends and his outward Affairs settled to Satisfaction which is Accepted

Bill for repair  
ing meeting  
house

The friend appointed to Repair the meeting house have given in their bill which is £10 14 6 In full money This Meeting hath collected £ 2 10 old tinnon and the Collection is refer'd to next monthly meeting

order to pay  
Tim Russell

The Treasurer is order'd to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year

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David Howland  
paper read

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 20<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> mo the Representatives are William Mather & Barzillia Tucker both present, the Clerk Reports that Barnabus Howland's Paper of Denial hath been Read according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting

Abraham Sherman  
case refer'd

The matter concerning Abraham Sherman is refer'd under the same care as heretofore and Barzillia Tucker and William Mather and David Smith are aded to the former Committee to Labour with said Sherman and make Report to next monthly meeting

Ben Sherman  
paper Read

Ben Sherman's paper hath been Read and Return'd to this meeting according to appointment of Last monthly meeting, Barnabus Russell's paper hath been read and Return'd to this meeting as ordered



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Sabaz Barker case

The Committee appointed to treat with Sabaz Barker June Report that they have had an opportunity to Discharge themselves in that respect therefore they are still continued in that service and to make Report to next monthly meeting - Gideon Howland's Paper hath been Read and returned to this meeting as order'd and is as followeth -

Confession of G. H.

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth the 10<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>mo</sup> 1771 Beloved friends whereas I through Unwatchfulness got into a Passion and uttered some unbecoming Expressions and fell into a bodily Strife with Lephcaiah Anthony all which I am heartily sorry for and do condemn and Desire friends would pass by my offence and Let me Remain under their Care hoping through Divine Assistance I shall be more Carefull for the time to come, from your friend Gideon Howland

Report of Reprober to the Quarterly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all Attended the meeting and have Read and an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to good Satisfaction and the contents are earnestly recommended to friends notice and Observations - Jonathan Hussey and William Barker are appointed to take the Epistle of Last Quarter and show that Narragross to Humphry Smith and Benj<sup>r</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> & Deleg<sup>r</sup> Sherman that respects the appeal of D. Smith from this meeting to the Quarterly. And the above said friends are Desired to advise the above said Parties to Comply therewith and to make Report to next monthly meeting -

Humphry Smith & Delegation to be inform

money paid for London Stock

Caleb Russell inform this meeting that he hath paid Redwood Four pounds Sterling in order to recruit the yearly meeting stock in London & Produced a Receipt for the same -- This meeting Adjourns Adjourn'd to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship

met

This Meeting meet according to Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>mo</sup> 1772 - The Representatives both Present Jonathan Russell & Wife of Nantucket Gave their consent in Writing to this meeting that their son Wm Russell shall Proceed in marriage with Wellban Spencer

Wm Russell's parents consent

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Wm Russell's intention of marriage

William Russell and Wellban Spencer Declard their Intentions of marriage at this meeting and were Desired to wait untill next monthly meeting for their answer

Barnabus Russell's intention of marriage

Barnabus Russell and Anna Howland Declard their Intentions of marriage and were Desired to wait untill next monthly meeting for their answer, and Jonathan Hussey and Job Russell is appointed to make Inquiry into William Russell and Barnabus Russell's Clearness Respecting marriage and Conversation and make Report to next meeting

Tim Russell paid

The Treasurers Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year -

Accounts for repairing meeting house to be view'd

Caleb Russell & James Daviss is appointed to Report into the Accounts of the Committee that was to Repair our meeting house and make Report to next monthly meeting

John Allen Request Certificate

John Allen Requests a Certificate to the monthly meeting of Sandwich testifying his Clearness Respecting marriage & Conversation therefore Prince Allen & Borellia Tucker are Appointed to make inquiry into his Clearness and Conversation and Draught a Certificate for him if they find things clear and make Report to the next meeting

Complaint against Daniel Smith Jun.

This Meeting is inform'd that Daniel Smith Jun. hath Abused a Frenchman named Morrison with blows for which Disorder he hath been Labour'd with and Declines to condemn it therefore Abraham Tucker and Joseph Tucker are appointed to Labour with him and make Report to next monthly meeting

Complaint against Zebulon Corral

This Meeting is also inform'd that Zebulon Corral hath fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by his Wives having a Child soon after marriage for which Disorder he hath been labour'd with by the overseers and Declines Condemning it therefore Paul Russell and Joseph Tucker and Job Russell are appointed to Labour with him and make Report to next monthly meeting



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*Complaint against A. Russell*  
This meeting is informed that Abner Russell hath been accused on oath of being guilty of Fornication for which Disorder the overseers hath Laboured with him and he Declined to Confess it therefore Wm Sandford and Barzillia Tucker is appointed to Labour with A Russell and Report to next monthly meeting

*Elihu Gifford & David Chase papers*  
Elihu Gifford and David Chase hath given in papers to this meeting Condemning their making out of the unity of friends which is Refers under the care of Caleb Russell Job Russell and Barzillia Tucker and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

*money order to pay for receiving duty house hands*  
This Meeting is informed that there was 24 Pounds old tenor Overplus money which was Rais'd to Revert the yearly meeting Stock in London said money is Lodg'd in Wm Anthony per duty house hands to pay to those that have Demands on the Committee for Repairing the meeting house

This meeting collected 7-0-4 old tenor

*Bill on Alice Smith Rec*  
The Overseers of the Door hath given in an account of Doing for Alice Smith 3-15-0 old tenor and the treasurer is order to pay the money to John Potter and Report to next meeting

*2 mo 1772*  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth St. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1772 The Representatives are Wm Mosher & Barzillia Tucker, Joseph Russell and Wm Spence hath Given their consent that their Wives should Proceed in marriage with Anna Howland

*Wm Russell and Bar Russell Clearness*  
The friends appointed to Inquire into Wm Russell and Barnabus Russell's Clearness respecting marriage and conversation, Report that they have made inquiry according to appointment and Dont find any thing

*Wm Russell and Bar Russell answer*  
to hinder their Proceeding William Russell & Welltham Spencer, and Barnabus Russell & Anna Howland appear at this meeting for their Answer which was that each Couple might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting

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Advising with the overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that Purpose, and Caleb Russell & James Davis are appointed to see William Russell and Welltham Spencer marriage Consumated in good order and make Report to next monthly meeting, and Jonathan Hussey & Job Russell are appointed to see Barnabus Russell and Anna Howland marriage Consumated in good order and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Caleb Russell and James Davis Reports that they have inspected into the Committee's Accounts that was appointed to Repair the Meeting House and find 2 Accounts to be Just which this meeting Approveth

*J. Allen Certificate*  
This meeting hath signed a Certificate for John Allen to the monthly meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Clearness respecting marriage & conversation

*Abraham Sherman Case*  
The friends appointed to Labour with Abraham Sherman Report that they have treated with him and he gave them no Real encouragment of Reforming from his Disorder in taking too much Spiritous Liquor, therefore the above said Committee is appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against B Sherman, and to show it paper to him and to Labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to the next meeting

*Caleb Barker Case*  
The Committee appointed to Labour with Caleb Barker Report that they had an opportunity to Discharge themselves with him though they went to his house & Did not find him at home therefore they are still Continued in that service & to make Report to next meeting

*Sam Smith informed respecting his appeal*  
The friends appointed to Inform Humphry Smith of the Judgment of the Quarterly meeting respecting his Appeal Report that they have fulfilled their Appointment

*Ben Smith paper*  
The friends Appointed to Labour with Daniel Smith for his Disorder Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction and the B Daniel Smith hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Disorder which is Refers to next meeting under the care of the above said Committee and then they to make Report

*Zebulon Conal case continued*  
The friends appointed to Labour Zebulon Conal Report



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Report that they had an opportunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are Continued in that service and to make Report to next monthly meeting

Abner Russell  
cases continued

The friends appointed to Labour with Abner Russell Report that they had an opportunity to treat with him therefore they are Continued in that service and to make Report to next monthly meeting

Elihu Gifford  
David Chase  
papers

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter concerning Elihu Gifford and David Chase Report that they have Labored with said Gifford for being in Company with some People that was shutting Cakes at the time called Prisms and they have Given in Papers condemning their marrying out of the Unity of Friends and David Chase is Reproved under the same Name

J. Potter  
paid

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid John Potter 5-15 Old Tennes according to Appointment

Dr. Allen  
Confession

David Allen hath Given in a Paper to this meeting condemning his being in Company with the Rabbits at the time called Prisms and shot a Goose for which he hath condemned in writing which is Accepted

To Read  
minutes

Samuel Smith Job Russell Wm Anthony & Tho. Hicks are appointed to Revise and correct this meeting minutes and papers in order to be Recorded and make Report to the next monthly meeting

women  
went  
about  
D. W.

This Meeting being Informed that there is a Report about Deborah Willbair which is of such a Gross & Scandalous Nature that the women friends desired Apportioned from us therefore this meeting Appoints Job Russell John Hupay and Prince Allen for that service

3 mo

1772 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 26: 3mo 1772 the Representatives are Wm Barker & Samuel Smith both present this meeting Adjourns to the Last fourth Day in this month it being the 25 Instant

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met by At a Monthly meeting meet according to Adjournment the Representatives being called both present Whereas a Committee of the Quarterly meeting Requests this meeting to Adjourn till the third Day of next month which this meeting Consents with and Doth Adjourn to 3rd Day and to meet at the usual hour

met by  
Adjournment

This Meeting being met by Adjournment the 3rd of 4mo 1772 the Representatives being called Wm Barker present This meeting Adjourns to the 4 Instant

met by  
Adjournment

This meeting met by Adjournment the 4 Day of 4mo 1772 the Representatives being called are William Barker & Saml Smith both present

Barnab Russell  
marriage

The friends appointed to see Barnabus Russell and Anna Howland's marriage Confirmed Report that they both attended the marriage which was Confirmed in a Regular orderly Except the young mens apparel

Paper of denial  
signed against  
Abraham Shearman  
Record in next  
page

This meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against Abraham Shearman for a Disorder mentioned in the former minutes and the Clerk is appointed to read said paper at the close of a first Days meeting for worship and to make Report to next monthly meeting, said paper Recorded in next page

Committee  
Report about  
S. Barker

The committee appointed to Labour with Sabir Barker Report as followeth, which is Excerpted

According to Appointment of Last monthly meeting we have Disposed with Sabir Barker on the account of his suffering his Daughters to be married in his house, and had a Long conference with him on that subject, Endeavouring (according to our Abilities) to convince him of his Error therein, He likewise shewed him a Copy of part of a minute made in our yearly Meeting in the year 1768, which we think is very Clear against such Conduct, which yet he would by no means condemn the same, nor yet own that he had broken any good order of friends, but used many words tending to justify himself therein Given forth this 26th of 12 mo 1772 by your friend Saml Smith and this meeting being clear of further Labour with him do Deny the said Sabir Barker from being a member of our Society, & from under our Care, and Report to next monthly meeting



From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth by  
Denial adjournment the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of 1<sup>mo</sup> 1772  
ought to be  
in  
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Whereas Abraham Sherman Senior being under the care  
of our said meeting, but he not giving heed to that Divine  
Power to wit the Spirit of Truth in his heart, has so far  
Deviated from our Christian profession as to be in the  
frequent practice of Drinking spiritous Liquor in an Exe-  
cutable manner, for which Transgressions friends having from  
time to time in Love and tenderness Labour'd with him  
in order thereby to be Instrumental to Reclaim him from  
the Error of his ways, but their Labour of Love in that  
Respect not having its Desired effect therefore for the  
Clearing of Truth and our Christian profession from such  
Reproachfull Practices we think we can do no less than  
to Deny him, and do hereby Disown the said Abraham  
Sherman from being a member of our society. Nevertheless  
Desiring if it be Consistant with Divine Pleasure  
that he may through an Unfeigned Repentance and  
Reformation may witness his peace to be made with the  
Lords, Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by  
Job Russell Clerk

The Committee appointed to revise and correct  
the Monthly Meeting minutes and Papers Report, that they  
have fulfilled their appointment and have Left said minutes  
and papers with Samuel Smith to Record

The Greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with  
Zeb. Cornal Zebulon Cornal Report that they have Discharg'd themselves  
in Labouring with him, and now this meeting being clear  
of any further Labour with the said Cornal have concluded  
to Deny him and do appoint Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith to Draught a paper  
of Denial and bring it to next monthly meeting

The Overseers hath handed a Complaint to this meeting  
against David Smith for Refusing to submit a Controversy  
to Arbitration, Subsisting between him self and Abner  
Russell and Daniel Russell, and this meeting hath Given  
said David a Copy of said Complaint agreeable to his Request  
but this meeting being small by Reason of the Extremity of

Minutes  
Revised  
Denial of  
Zeb. Cornal  
Complaint  
against  
David  
Smith

of the weather, the appointing a Committee on that account is Refer'd  
to the Adjournment of this meeting  
The Surveys hath been Read and Answer'd in this meeting  
This Meeting Adjourns to the seventh Day of this Instant at the  
Eleventh hour in the forenoon

This Meeting not according to Adjournment the 7<sup>th</sup> Day 1<sup>mo</sup> 1772  
The Representatives being called William Barker and Samuel Smith Propos'd

The friends appointed to see W<sup>m</sup> Russell & Waltham's marriage  
Conformable have not made any Report therefore Abraham Tucker and  
Joseph Tuke are appointed to call on them to know the Reason of their not  
making Report

This Meeting has not had a Return Respecting Daniel Smith it is  
Refer'd under the same Care as heretofore and they to make report  
to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Treat with David Chase Report that  
they have had an opportunity since Last month therefore it is  
Refer'd under their Care and they to make Report to next meeting

The Friends appointed to Treat with Abner Russell Report  
that they have had any opportunity with him therefore the matter  
is Refer'd under the same Care as heretofore and they to make  
Report to next monthly meeting

The Friends Appointed to visit those that Possess Slaves  
Report, that they have not Discharg'd themselves in that  
Respect therefore they are Continued

According to the Reference of the former sitting of this  
Meeting Do appoint Joseph Tucker Abraham Howland  
Benjamin Howland & Barnabus Mosher to Inquire into  
the above Complaint Respecting David Smith and Labour  
as they may find occasion and make Report as soon as  
conveniency will admitt

Our Quarterly Collection is Refer'd to next monthly meeting  
Joseph Rotch j<sup>r</sup> informs this meeting that he Intends  
to London and Desires a few Lines as Certificate  
therefore Samuel Smith & William Anthony is appointed  
to make inquiry into his Conversion and Draught

met by  
Adjournment  
Report of  
Wm Russell  
marriage not  
made  
Dan Smith  
case refer'd  
Case of David  
Chase refer'd  
Case of Abner  
Russell refer'd  
To Visit those  
possessed of  
Slaves  
Complaint  
against  
D. Smith  
Last meeting  
Collection  
refer'd  
Joseph Rotch j<sup>r</sup>  
request a  
Certificate  
to London



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Draught a Certificate if they find things clear on his behalf and bring it to the Monthly Meeting as soon as they can

W<sup>m</sup> Smith  
Complainant

One of the Overseers Informs this meeting that he hath taken two friends with him and Labour with William Smith for Taking too much Spirituous Liquour for which he neglects to condemn and Likewise this Meeting is Informed that the said Smith has Purchased Land under such Ministerial Incompliance as is not consistent with our Profession therefore this meeting Do appoint Samuel Smith & John Potter & Philip Trafford to Labour with the said William Smith and make Report to next monthly Meeting

This Meeting hath signed an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting to be held next at Portsmouth. And Joseph Tucker W<sup>m</sup> Parker Samuel Smith and W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr are appointed to attend the above said Meeting and to present the Epistle with the answer to the Queries and to make Report next monthly Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> 1772

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20: 4<sup>th</sup> 1772 the representatives are Caleb Russell & William Anthony jr both present, The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Abraham Shermans Paper of Denial, as Appointed, by Reason of his Wives Request and said Clerk is still under appointment to Read said Paper at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next Monthly meeting and then make Report

Paul Russell Reports that he hath informed Tabez Barker jr of his Denial according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting

L: Canal  
Denial

This Meeting hath signed a Paper of Denial against Zebulon Corral for the sin of Fornication and the Clerk is appointed to Read said paper at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting and then make Report

Caleb Russell Reports the Reason that he and James David did not make Report at the Adjournment of the Meeting of their attending the Marriage of W<sup>m</sup> Russell & Wellthen Spicer was by Reason of the Extremity of the weather. And they now have made Report that they attended said Marriage which was conformable in tolerable Good order

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Daniel Smith jr's hat Given in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into a bodily Strife with Michel Morris which this meeting Concludes to Except with Provisional that he cause said paper to be Read at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting he being present and thereafter Return said paper to said meeting and make Report of its being Read

Case of David  
Chase Continued

The Friends appointed to Treat with David Chase Report that they had had an opportunity to Discharge themselves in that Respect therefore they are still Continued in the same Service and to make Report as soon as they have an opportunity to Discharge their trust

Case of Abner  
Russell referred

The Friends appointed to Labour Abner Russell Report that they have made some Progress in that Respect and Desire the matter to be referred which is Referred under their Care untill next monthly meeting and then to make Report

R: M  
Request a  
Certificate

This Meeting is Informed that Rachel Musketted is about to Remove within the Compass of Sandwich monthly meeting and Desires a Certificate therefor Joseph Tucker & Paul Russell & W<sup>m</sup> Mosher are appointed to advise the Women friends to make Inquiry into her Circumstances and consider whether it may be best for her to Remove and if they think it necessary to Draught a Certificate for her and bring it to the next monthly meeting

Case of W<sup>m</sup>  
Smith referred

The friends appointed to Labour with William Smith Report that they have Laboured with him and he condemns his taking too much spirituous Liquors Therefore the matter is Referred under their Care and they to make Report when they had an opportunity fully to Discharge themselves in that Respect

Representa  
tives to the  
Q: meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all Attended according to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and kindly Accepted

Report concern  
ing Building  
a meeting house  
at Bedford

The Committee appointed to Consider about the Request of the friends at Bedford building a Meeting house: Report as followeth which is Accepted

According to Appointment of the Monthly Meeting we have conferred with the friends at Bedford and weightily Considered their Request in regard to building a meeting house there and altho we look favourably on their Request



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yet we think it would be better for them to make some Trial of holding a meeting in a private House before they build a house for that purpose in order for some degree of Experience of keeping up their meeting in the Authority of Smith, which would be a farther Satisfaction to us in that matter, we not being so fully satisfied wholly to Grant their Request before some such Trial be made. Given forth this 20 day of June 1772 by your friends

Jonathon Hays: Wm. Sandford  
Prince Allen: Wm. Mosher  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith: Barzillia Tucker

Concerning  
Description  
of the  
History

This Meeting is inform'd that friends at Philadelphia are about to Reprint Wm. Lewis History, and this Meeting concludes to subscribe for one Book, and Samuel Smith & Barzillia Tucker & Caleb Russell are appointed to Review subscriptions

There was collected 2-5-5 old terms and the Collection is Refor'd to the next monthly meeting This meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

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This Meeting meet according to Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> June 1772 - The Representatives being called Caleb Russell and William Anthony but both presents This meeting hath sign'd a Certificate for Joseph Roach Jun<sup>r</sup> to friends in the City of London Old England

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 5<sup>th</sup> June 1772 The Representatives are Caleb Russell & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks both present Daniel Smiths paper ~~has~~ hath been Read according to the appointment of Last monthly meeting, and is as followeth

D. Smith  
paper

To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth, Esteemed friends whereas I being of my watch and got into a bodily struggle with Michel Morris when I have transgressed the good orders of friends notwithstanding the aggravation was great yet taking into consideration the bad Effect of Passion, which transgression I did not mistake but am sorry for & do condemn & desire that friends would pass by my offence and still continue me under their care

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hoping to be more Careful for the future in such respects from your well wishing friend Daniel Smith the 17<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1772

Dr. Zebulon Cornells paper of Denial hath been read as order'd and is as followeth

The Council  
paper of  
Denial

Whereas Zebulon Cornell son of our friends Daniel Cornell and his Deceased wife Elizabeth, having had his Education amongst friends, under the care of this meeting, yet he hath so far departed from the Amolivity of Truth and the Testimony therein his own heart as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by his wife having a Child so soon after Marriage and friends having Labour'd with him in Love in order to convince him of the evil thereof, and that he may be Refor'd to the way of Truth, but our Labour & Care therein not obtaining the Desired Effect to the Satisfaction of this meeting and friends believing they are clear of him in that respect do hereby publicly divorce him from under the care of this meeting the 10<sup>th</sup> of June 1772 by

Case of David  
Chase Continued

The friends appointed to Labour with David Chase Report that they have had an opportunity to Treat with him therefore they are still continued in that service and Adam Efford is able to them and they to make Report to next monthly Meeting

Case of Abner  
Russell  
Continued

The friends appointed to Labour with Abner Russell Report that he is gone from home and they have not had an opportunity to Treat with him and they are still continued in that service and to make Report when they have an opportunity to Discharge the selves in that respect

Case of Rachel  
Sherburne  
Continued

The friends appointed to Inquire into Rachel Sherburne's Request for a Removal Certificate, Report that Enquiry hath been made, and her affairs not being all settled they are continued in that service and make Report to the next monthly Meeting

Case of  
Denial not read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Abraham Shermans Paper of Denial by Reason of some hopes of a Reformation and now this meeting being no Real Sign of Reformation do continue the Clerk to Read said paper before next monthly meeting



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and then make Report  
C. Green hath removed within the compass of this meeting  
and hath Produced a Removal Certificate from the Monthly  
Meeting held at East Greenwich which is Accepted

The friends appointed to have the (air of) this meeting held in  
Allen's Neck (So called) Report that they attended the Meeting which  
was held somewhat Satisfactory

The Overseers hath Exhibited a Complaint against Sedediah  
Allen for striking Samuel Gifford son of Daniel Gifford  
And they also have Exhibited a Complaint against the said Daniel  
Gifford for Prosecuting the said Sedediah Allen in the Law for  
striking his Son. Therefore this meeting do Appoint Wm Sanford  
Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith to Inquire into the whole matter  
Respecting the two above said Complaints and Labour as they may  
find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting  
This Meeting hath Collected £5. 8s. 6 d. Old Tenno

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> 6mo 1777  
the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Seth Sherman both Present  
Whereas the yearly meeting at Rhode Island is now in being for  
which Reason this meeting doth Adjourn to the 22 day of this  
Instant after the Meeting for Worship which meeting of worship  
begins at the Eleventh hour

At a Monthly Meeting meet by Adjournment 22. 6mo 1777  
the Representatives being called both Present. The Committee  
appointed to Labour with David Chase for marring out of the  
Unity of friends. Report that he gave them a Degree of  
Satisfaction & the said Chase has given in a Paper Condemning  
his marring out of the Unity of friends which is kept under  
the care of the Committee and they to make Report to next  
monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Prepare a Removal Certificate for  
Rachel Merithew Report that they have not Prepared said  
Certificate for the same Reason as was last monthly meeting  
therefore the Committee are still Continued in that Service and  
to make Report to the next monthly meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Abraham Normans paper  
of Denial according to the appointment of last monthly meeting

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Complaint  
against  
J. A and  
D. Gifford

Adjourn

meet

David Chase  
give in  
a paper

Rachel  
Merithew  
Certificate  
not prepar

Abraham  
Normans  
paper read

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Rachel Allen  
Case Continued

Women  
Inform of  
they dupt  
the Committee  
proper  
Alice Philips  
Received

Case of Daniel  
Gifford  
Continued

L. Mosier  
Request  
to be taken  
under friends  
care

Joseph Russell  
Dan Gifford  
Tim Gifford  
Isaac Howland  
in practice of  
marring goods

Queries  
read

Adjourn

The Committed appointed to Labour with Sedediah Allen last monthly meet  
Report that they Labour with the said Allen and the matter is not fully settled  
to their satisfaction therefore they are still Continued in that Service  
and Daniel Allen is added to them and they to make Report next monthly  
meeting

The Women friends inform this meeting that Hannah Bennett hath  
Given in a Paper to their meeting Condemning her Disorder in falling  
into the sin of fornication as appears by her having a Child so soon  
after marriage which hath been read & accepted by their meeting which  
this meeting concurs with and the Women friends also Inform that Mary  
Howland wife of Luther Howland hath Condemned her marring out of  
the Unity of friends, to the satisfaction of their meeting which this meeting  
concurr with, And the women friends of the second Inform that they  
minuted Alice Philips a Member under their pair which this  
meeting concurs with.

The Committed appointed to Labour with Daniel Gifford  
for Prosecuting Sedediah Allen in the Law, Reports that they have  
treated with him, and the matter is not fully made up to their  
satisfaction therefore, the said friends are still Continued in  
that Service and make Report to next monthly meeting

Lemuel Mosier Requests to be Admitted under friends pair  
therefore Paul Russell & Sarah Tucker & Joseph Gifford and  
Adam Gifford are appointed to Inquire into the said Mosiers  
Life and Conversation and take an Opportunity of Solas Confere  
with him and make Report to next Monthly meeting

This meeting is Informed from the Preparative meeting  
that Joseph Russell Daniel Gifford Timothy Gifford & Isaac Howland  
hath been in the practice of marring Goods for which Disorder  
the Overseers have Laboured with them for, and they Declined  
to Condemn it, therefore, Samuel Smith Joseph Gifford Prine  
Allen John Dotter & Philip Allen are appointed to Labour  
with them in order to show them the Error of such Practices  
and make Report to next Monthly meeting

The Queries hath been Read and Answered in this meeting  
This meeting hath Collected £4. 12. 10 Old Tenno

This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after  
tea-meeting for Worship



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At a Monthly Meeting met according to Adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1772 the Representatives being called both present. This meeting adjourns to the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of next month after the meeting of worship

Order to pay Tim

At a Monthly Meeting met according to Adjournment the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day 7<sup>mo</sup> 1772 the Representatives being called both present The Treasurer is Ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for keeping the Meeting House half a year & Report to next m<sup>o</sup> Meeting

Ben Allen accom

The Overseers of the poor hath brought an account from Benj<sup>n</sup> Allen for keeping Rachel Cole 135 weeks at 2<sup>d</sup> p<sup>er</sup> Week which amounts to 23-5 Which account this meeting Approveth

Committee to assist the Women to Labour with D.W.

The friends appointed to assist the Women friends in Labouring with Deborah Willbur Report that the matter Labouring very Difficult and they desire some more Assistance, therefore do appoint Caleb Russell & Samuel Smith to join them in that case and they to make Report as soon as they are Ready

rep<sup>r</sup> sent

This Meeting hath sign'd an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting next to be held at Newport - And our friends Caleb Russell Ben<sup>n</sup> Hupin, Paul Russell W<sup>m</sup> Sandford & W<sup>m</sup> Mosher are appointed to attend the above Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle with Answers to the Queries and make Report to next monthly meeting - Our Quarterly Collection is Refer'd to next monthly meeting

7<sup>mo</sup> 1772

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth of 20<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>mo</sup> 1772

The Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Anthony jr<sup>d</sup> and Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith both Depp<sup>s</sup> Tho<sup>s</sup> Philips & his Wife hath given their consent in writing that their Daughter Alice, should should proceed in Marriage with Eliphaz Smith

Eliphaz Smith pro  
4<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>mo</sup>  
marriage

Eliphaz Smith & Alice Philips declared their Intentions of Marriage and were desired to wait untill the next monthly met. appointed to Inquire into the young mans Cleanse Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report to next monthly meeting

7<sup>th</sup> Month 1772

Case of David Chap refer<sup>d</sup>

The friends appointed to have the Care of the matter Respecting David Chave Report that they have not anything new to Inform this meeting - And Chave is not present therefore the matter is Refer'd under the same care as heretofore and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The friends entrusted with the Care of Rachel Marston Certificate Report that they have not prepar'd one, therefore they are continued in that care and to make Report to next monthly meeting

L. M. Mosher Refer<sup>d</sup>

The friends appointed to treat with Leamuel Mosher on account of his Request Report that they have made some Progress in that matter and they think it best to Refer the matter for the present, therefore it is Refer'd under the same friends Care and they to make when they think necessary

Tim Russell paid

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars as ordered - The Committee appointed to Labour and Advise with Daniel Gifford and Jedediah Allen Report

D. Gifford A  
Settled their Controversy

that the Controversy is made up between them to Satisfaction and the D<sup>r</sup> Gifford hath given in a paper, Condemning his prosecuting the said Allen in the Law (contrary to the Advice of the Overseers Advice which paper is accepted, and the D<sup>r</sup> Allen not being present his paper is not accepted but is Refer'd to next monthly meeting

Ben Allen paper refer<sup>d</sup>  
report of those that run goods

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that hath been in the Practice of Raring of Goods Report that they have made some Progress in that matter and have found some Satisfaction, tho' none of them have fully Condemned the Disorder

report from  
ly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to appointment

L. Mosher Denied

The Women friends <sup>in form</sup> Report that they have denied Elisabeth Mosher wife of Leamuel Mosher for marrying out of the Unity of friends which this meeting concurs with

Com<sup>tee</sup> Report on those that possess Slaves

The committee appointed to Labour with those friends that possess Slaves Report as followeth which is accept<sup>d</sup>

Agreeable to the Appointment of 7<sup>th</sup> Mo Meeting We have visited those friends that possess Slaves belonging to this meeting and have had much Conference with them



Will  
since I don't  
know how  
to write you  
some more  
of Complaint

on that account, Endeavouring according to our abilities to  
convince them of the Evil of that heinous Practice of keeping  
our fellow creatures in Bondage, but several of them yet Refuse  
to comply with the advice of friends in that matter, who are  
Joseph Russell who has Two Negroes in Bondage, & Refuses to sell them at  
Liberty, three Newland's, & one Negro in Bondage, & Refuses to sell him, & several  
others who have Negroes in Bondage of full age, & one or two under age, and Refuse  
to free any of them yet that has (as the Faith) orders them to be free, & he  
will, John Russell we think complies with friends Advice, he has  
let one go at Liberty, & has one under age that he says he intends to  
free, and has ordered it so in his will, Wm Sanford one Negro but  
he fully complies with friends advice by frankly setting her at Liberty  
Deleg Mann having Negroes one of full age, & he is so far from complying as  
to free them at the twenty, saying up six Dollars yearly, after that  
two yearly, wherefore upon the whole we find that Joseph Russell, & several others  
in our Society, who are fit for Freedom after they have been Redeemed, & who  
are ready to comply with the order of friends in that case, with death, they will more fully  
comply therewith - by your Committee this 29<sup>th</sup> of June 1772

Job Russell  
Barzilla Tucker  
Caleb Russell  
Newland

friends  
to Labour  
with Negro  
masters  
those that  
run goods

And the above Committee are appointed to Labour with  
the above said friends that appear Diffident regarding  
keeping Slaves in Bondage, And also to Labour with those  
friends that appear Diffident in regard to the Grandstand  
Trade in the foregoing Minutes And make Report when ready

Epistles  
Received

This Meeting hath Received a Number of London printed  
Epistles with a Transcrip of the last Epistle from the yearly  
held at Rhodiffand

D: Willbur  
Denied

This Meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against  
Deborah Willbur for Offences therein mentioned And the  
Clerk is appointed to Read said Paper at the Close of a Friday  
Meeting before the next monthly meeting and then make  
Report said paper is as followeth

Complain  
against  
Daniel  
Russell

Joseph Notch and Sons hath Exhibited a Complaint against Daniel  
Russell for Neglecting to pay them their Due, And the Overseers inform  
that they have bestowed much Labour in order for him to comply with  
their Request which hath proved ineffectual therefore this meeting  
do appoint Philip Allen & Prince Allen, David Shepherd, James Daniels  
to Labour with the said Daniel Russell and to make Report to next month  
meeting

Report of  
the Com<sup>tee</sup>  
on Settling  
Wood's  
Heirs

The Committee appointed to Labour with heirs of Sedediah & Keriak  
Wood Report as follows: which is Accepted  
To the Monthly Meetings of Dartmouth and Accohasset  
We the subscribers being a Committee appointed by the monthly meeting  
to Labour with the Heirs Sedediah and Keriak Wood to bring them  
to a Settlement of the Estate Left them by D Sedediah & Keriak Wood  
(And we having met together with P heirs from time to time, and bearing  
in Love with them to compose and finally settle D Estate among them  
Selves, Or submitt to friends as Arbitrators to settle the same, but  
our Labour proving ineffectual with them, And it is our Advice  
and Judgment that D heirs apply to the Judge of Probate, in order to  
have the Estate settled, Or compose a Settlement among themselves  
for we find the Circumstances of the affair to be such we think best not  
to Compell D heirs to Arbitration  
from your Committee this 29<sup>th</sup> of June 1772

Pelley Huddleston  
Joseph Frigg  
Wm Anthony  
Barzilla Tucker  
Abiel Maucomber  
Job Russell



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This Meeting is informed by the preparative meeting that Jacob Mott hath fallen into several Disorders Pertinaciously intaking too much spirituous Liquors & in using bad Language & in abusive behaviour & in neglecting attending for Worship and Discipline for which several Disorders he hath been treated with and gave no Satisfaction therefore Joseph Tucker Wm. and for and Abraham Tucker are appointed to Labour with the D. Mott as they may find occasion and make Report to next monthly meeting

Committee to Labour with J. Mott

This Meeting is informed that Poley Smith hath in his care some accounts of the sufferings of Friends therefore Samuel Smith and Wm. Anthony Jr are appointed to inspect the accounts and make Report the next monthly meeting

To collect accounts of friends sufferings

This Meeting hath reviewed a Transcript of several matters concluded on as Rules of our Society at our last yearly meeting at Rhodifford & Samuel Smith & William Anthony Jr are appointed to place the above said Rules under proper heads in our Book of Discipline and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Reviewed Transcript from of yet meeting

Benjamin Howland David Shepherd Barnabus Mosher Wm. Allen are appointed to collect money by way of Subscription for to Defray the Charges of Repairing our Meeting house and to make Report as soon as they can

To collect money for repairing meet. house

This Meeting hath subscribed for Twenty four Books of Sails Histories and Caleb Kuffell is appointed to send the money for said Books to Wm. Redwood or Joseph Jacobs and make Report as soon as he can The Treasurer hath paid one Dollar to Caleb Kuffell for to send for one of 2 books for this meeting

24 books subscribed for

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 17 of 8<sup>mo</sup> 1772 The Representatives and Wm. Mosher & David Tucker present Joseph Smith hath given his consent that his son Elipha Smith may proceed in Marriage with Alice Philips The friends appeared to Inquire into Elipha Smiths cleanness respecting marriage and conversation Report that they have made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage and Elipha Smith & Alice Philips appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in some convenient times before the next monthly meeting in some the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Adam Gifford & Wm. Mosher are appointed to see their marriage

£. 188.0 come for their answer

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Report respecting David Chase

consumed in good order and make Report to next meeting The Report respecting David Chase not appearing to good satisfaction by reason of his neglecting of attending of meetings, and this meeting not being fully satisfied about receiving his Acknowledgment therefore the matter is referred under the care of the same friends that was appointed in that case some months past & Paul Kuffell is added to them and they to make Report when they think proper

Deb. Wilbor Serial read

The Clerk reports that he hath read Deborah Wilbors paper of Denial according to Appointment

Soladi Allen paper accept

The paper that Soladi Allen gave into this meeting some months past Condemning his striking Samuel Gifford has been now read and considered, which is accepted provided he cause so paper to be read at the Close of a first Day meeting for Worship, he being present and Return a paper to D meeting and make Report of its being read & paper is as followeth

S. Allen's paper

At the Monthly Meeting of Friends to be holden at Dartmouth 17<sup>th</sup> 1772 Whereas I through unthoughtfulness have struck Samuel Gifford son of David Gifford, which I am heartily sorry for and do Condemn, hoping God will forgive me, and friends so far pass by mine offenses as to let me remain under their care hoping for time to come I shall be more careful  
Soladi Allen

H. Bannell Certificate

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for our friend Hannah Bannett wife of Robert Bannett to the Monthly meeting Rhodifford

Jacob Mott case

The friends appointed to Labour with Jacob Mott Report that they have taken an Opportunity and treated with him and he gave them no Satisfaction therefore Samuel Smith is added to the Committee and they to inspect into his Disorders and Labour as they may find occasion and make Report to next monthly meeting

Report on inspecting friends sufferings

Samuel Smith & Wm. Anthony Jr Reports that they have made some progress in inspecting of the accounts of friends sufferings as appointed. but have not gone through, therefore they are still continued in that Service and to make Report when ready and the above D friends Report that they have answered their Appointment in placing the several matters concluded on as Rules in our Society under proper heads in the Book of Discipline

placing matters in Book of Discipline



8 month 1772  
Redwood Receipt  
Caleb Russell hath produced a Receipt from Wm. Read Wood that he  
Delivered the money according to appointment of last M<sup>o</sup> Meeting  
J. Russell hath appeared in this meeting and Verbally condemned  
Cordens his Disorder in suffering a Couple to be married in before a Justice of peace  
his Disorder in his House which is Accepted

Don Russell Case  
The Committee appointed to Labour with Daniel Russell for paying  
to pay Joseph Rotch & some their Demands, Report that they have  
Labour with him and Daniel hath made some proposals to  
said Rotch to satisfy him but it not being solved the said  
Committee are appointed to Judge & Determine of D. Profane  
and make Report to next monthly meeting

Overseers appointed  
Daniel Cornal William Anthony & Jonathan Hussey Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks  
William Mosher William Barker are appointed Overseers in  
the meeting for the year ensuing

Overseers of 4 poor appointed  
Caleb Russell Joseph Barker Barillea Tucker Philip Allen  
Abraham Howland are appointed Overseers of the Poor for  
the year ensuing

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>mo</sup> 1772  
the Representatives are called Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey  
both Present

Elisabeth marriage  
The friends appointed to see Elisabeth Smith and Alice  
Philips marriage Conformed Report that they attended  
said marriage which was Conformed in good order

J. Allens paper Read  
Jedediah Allens Paper hath been read and Returned to this  
meeting according to the Appointment of last monthly  
meeting

Jacob Mott case  
The Committee appointed to Labour with Jacob Mott  
Report that they have Discharged themselves in that  
Respect, therefore the said Committee is still continued  
to Draught a paper of Denial against the s<sup>d</sup> Jacob Mott  
and make Report to next monthly meeting

Don Russell Case  
The Committee appointed to Judge & determine between  
Daniel Russell & Joseph Sh<sup>o</sup>s Sons, Report that the matter  
is not Accomplished therefore they are still continued  
in that service & to make Report to next monthly meeting

9 month 1772  
David Shepherd  
James Davie  
overseers of poor  
Wm. Sanford Case  
David Shepherd and James Davie are appointed Overseers of the poor  
whereas David Smith and Jonathan Hussey was appointed to  
Labour with Wm. Sanford for making out of Unity offends  
Some time past and Sanford has been much from home and  
nothing hath been Done to the satisfaction of this meeting  
therefore Wm. Barker is appointed in the Room of David Smith  
and they to Labour with Sanford and make Report to next  
monthly meeting - The Queries hath been Read and Answered  
in this meeting

Received Transcripts  
Received several Transcripts (viz)  
one written Epistle from the yearly meeting in London  
one from the yearly meeting held in Philadelphia  
one from the yearly meeting held in Flushing on Long Island  
all Which were read to good Satisfaction

Representative for 4 Quarters meeting  
William Barker Wm. Anthony & Benjamin Smith are appointed  
to attend the Quarterly meeting and to present the Epistle  
with the Answers to the Queries which Epistle hath been signed  
in this meeting - And they to make Report to next monthly meeting

R. Meritts Certificate  
This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Rachel  
Meritts to the monthly meeting of Sandwich

order on Treasurers  
There was collected at this meeting \$5-2-9 old tenner  
the Treasurer is Ordered to pay the above sum to the Overseers  
of the poor for the use of the poor  
P. Treasurer Reports that he hath paid 2 money as ordered

10<sup>mo</sup> 1772  
Caleb Russell for proposal of marriage  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1772  
the Representatives are called Caleb Russell & Jonathan Hussey Present  
Joseph Russell & Mchetable Howland Declare their Intention  
of marriage and were Desir<sup>d</sup> to wait until the next Monthly  
meeting for their Answer, and David Shepherd & John Williams  
are appointed to make Inquiry into the young mans Circumstances  
Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report to next  
Monthly Meeting

J. Mott Denied  
This meeting hath signed a Paper of Denial against Jacob  
Mott for the offences against him some months past  
and the Clerk is appointed to Read said paper at the Close of next  
Days meeting for Worshipp before next monthly meeting and then make  
Report said paper is as followeth



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Whereas Jacob Mott of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England - Having been Educated amongst friends, under the care of this meeting, yet by Departing from his Education, and the Principles of Truth in his own heart hath so far gone astray as to be found guilty of diverse disorderly practices highly inconsistent with the Piety and Gravity of our Profession Particularly in Absenting himself from our Religious meetings, and in taking too much spirituous Liquor, and using bad Language and in abusive behaviour, for which Reproachful Conduct this meeting hath treated with him and admonished him in love & Moderation in order to convince him of the Evil thereof, and Reclaim him therefrom, but our Admonition & Labour not being effectual so as to obtain the desired End therefore for the clearing of truth and the Reformation thereof from such Reproachful behaviour, this Meeting is concerned Publickly to Testify against him, and do hereby Disown him the said Jacob Mott from being a Member of our Religious Society, until by Unfeigned Repentance he shall Return to the way of truth which at this day is our sincere desire - Given forth & signed in & on behalf of our monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 10<sup>th</sup> mo 1772

Testimony against J. Mott

By Job Russell Clerk

Case of Dan Russell & Co. settled

The Committee appointed to labour with Daniel Russell for neglecting to pay Joseph & Sons their Demands Report, that the Matter is made up to the said Notches Satisfaction for the present

Case Wm Sanford continued

The Committee appointed to labour with Wm Sanford for Report that they have had no opportunity to labour with him (both together) tho they have laboured with severall & received some encouragement therefore they are still continued in that service until next meeting and want to make Report

Representative Report

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended except Benj<sup>r</sup> Smith Jr & he rendered a Reasonable excuse for his not attending, and they produced an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which hath been read to good satisfaction and they have produced a Copy of an Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting held in Newport on Rhode Island the 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> days of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1772. Said Epistle informs that it is concluded to lay out thirty pounds Lawfull money on a Meeting House belonging to the Monthly Meeting

money laid out

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Southkington, and each monthly meeting is desired to contribute according to their freedom, But we think this meeting may be Excused by Reason that we are Considerably in Debt for repairs of our Meeting house in Aponegonset and for supporting of our poor and also Dr Epistle informs that the yearly meeting of Rhode Island our meeting hath reversed the Judgment of the Quarterly Meeting Respecting

this meeting to be excused by reason of debt for their own meeting house year by meet hath any dissent Judgment of meeting against Humphry Smith

friends to worship of Lofts

Monthly Collection

Jonathan Hussey Samuel Smith Prince Allen Wm Sanford Tho: Hicks & William Mosher, are Appointed to have the Oversight of the People in the Lofts & Other Seats at our ensuing yearly Meeting, to Endeavour to Prevent any increase that may be Liable to happen at that time, and make Report of their Service at the next monthly meeting, This Meeting hath concluded to alter our Quarterly Collection to a Monthly Collection and Conclude to Collect Every month as need may appear

Order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay William Anthony jr two Dollars which he Distributed for this meeting to purchase Extracts and said Treasurer is Likewise Ordered to pay Antipas Hathaway one Dolor for Glazing the Meeting House

This Meeting hath collected 4-6-11 old tenor

Nov 1772

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> mo 1772 the Representatives being called which are Joseph Barker & Barzilla Tucker both present Barzilla Tucker is chosen Clerk for this Day

Barz Tucker Clerk for this day

The friends appointed to inquire into the Cleanness of Joseph Russell jr Report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage

J. R. & M. H appear for their answer

Joseph Russell jr and Mehetabel Howland appear for their answer which was that they might proceed in to take talk other in Marriage between this & next monthly meeting Advising with the Deacons that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose



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and David Shepherd and John Williams are appointed to see their Marriages consummated in good order and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Jacob Mott denial not read

By Reason of the Clerk being sick he has not read Jacob Motts denial as Ordered therefor he is continued in that service and to make Return to next monthly meeting

Report of Overseers of yearly meeting referred

The friends appointed last monthly meeting to have the oversight of the People in the Lofts and Other seats at our yearly meeting not being all Present therefor their Report is Referred to next monthly meeting

Case of Wm Sanford continued

The friends appointed on the case of Wm Sanford if not fulfilling their Appointment by Reason of Sickness therefore they are still continued in that service and Abraham Tucker is added to them & they are desired to do something in that case before next monthly meeting and then make Report

Wm Jones visited this meeting

Our friend William Jones hath visited this meeting with his Certificate from the monthly meeting of Burlington in the Province of New-jersey the 7<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>mo</sup> 1772, whose Vigil and Service in the Truth is kindly accepted

meeting granted at Bedford

Friends at Bedford Request to have a Meeting for Worships held there two Days in a week the Week Day meeting to be held on the Sixth Day of the week (Except those weeks of our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting & Preparative & youths meetings are held in) untill the Last of the third month next, which Request is Granted and David Shepherd and James Davis are appointed to have the Oversight thereof and to see if it be held in the Authority of Truth and to make Report at the Expiration thereof

Treasurers report

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid Antipast Hulaway one Dollar as Ordered

this Meeting hath collected £ 7 - 07 - 10 Pd Tennyson

12<sup>mo</sup> 1772

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 25<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>mo</sup> 1772 the Representatives are Thos Hicks and Samuel Smith present John Williams Reports that, by reason of Sickness he did not attend the marriage of Joseph Russell & Mahitabel Howland and we understand David Shepherd ~~did~~ not attend this meeting by

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by Reason of his family being unwell therefore his Reporting is Referred to next monthly meeting

Jacob Mott denial read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read Jacob Motts paper of Denial according to the Appointment of last meeting

Overseers of yearly meeting Report

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the <sup>People in the</sup> Lofts and at our yearly meeting. Report that most of them attended all the meetings and that they people behaved in some degree orderly

Case of Wm Sanford continued

The committed appointed to Labour with Wm Sanford Report that they have not Discharged their trust in that Respect by reason of some Disappointment therefore ~~they~~ they are still continued in that service and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

money from D. Shepherd Rec

This meeting hath Received from David Shepherd by the hand of John Noble and the sum of £ 9 - 3 - 9 Lawfull money which he Raised by way of Subscription according to Appointment of this meeting, and the same is Delivered to Wm Anthony per

this meeting collected £ 7 - 7 - 8 Pd Tennyson

Adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the first Sixth Day in next month after the meeting for Worships

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This Meeting meet according to Adjournment the first Sixth Day of the first mo 1773 the Representatives being called both Present

Com<sup>rs</sup> to examine accounts

The Overseers of the Poor hath brought an Account to this meeting for doing for the Poor therefore we do Appoint Samuel Smith Job Russell Prince Allen and William Mosher a committed to Examine said Account and also to Collect the whole accounts that this meeting is in Debt and make Report as soon as they can with Concrenery

order on Treasurers

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars for keeping the meeting House half a year



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The Queries hath been read and Answered, and an Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting was read and signed, & Joseph Tucker and William Sandford are appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting and convey the Answers & Epistle to Quarterly meeting and make Report to next monthly meeting

This Meeting Received £-10-9 old Tenor of Barnabus Mosher which be collected by way of Subscription which is Delivered to Wm Anthony Jr

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 18<sup>th</sup> mo 1773 the Representatives are William Mosher & Barilla Tucker Report David Shephard hath not made Report of his attending Post Russells marriage according to Referrance of Last monthly meeting therefor James Daviel is appointed to call upon him to know the reason of his not making report and to desire him to make Report to next monthly meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars as Ordered

The friends appointed to Labour with William Sandford for moving out of the Unity of friends Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction and Wm Sandford hath given in a Paper condemning his Disorder which is Accepted and is as followeth

To the monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth beloved friends there are to inform you that I have gone contrary to the good order Established among friends in Marriage which break of Unity after I have mately considered it am sorry for and should be glad that friends would so far pass it by as to let me remain under their care given forth and Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of the 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1773 - William Sandford Jr

1<sup>st</sup> mo 1773  
Report of Jos Russell not made

Tim Russell paid

Wm Sandford give in a paper is accepted

Wm Sandford Confession

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1773

Report from Quart meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to good Satisfaction and the Contents thereof earnestly Recommended to friend notice and Observation

Whereas this meeting Requested of the Quarterly meeting that there may be an Alteration in our yearly meeting as it is now held in two Branches, to have the same held in two Definit yearly meetings, and this meeting is informed by an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that the Quarterly meeting Desires this meeting to confer with Respect monthly meeting about the Alteration, and we appoint Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Paul Russell Job Russell Jonathan Husey & Samuel Smith a Committee to confer with Respect monthly meeting on that and make Report as to have a matter sent up to next Quarterly

on the Subject of holding our yearly meeting in two places a Com appointed

Dr. Crow Dealt with

Two of the Overseers Informs this meeting that the man brow hath married out of the Unity of friends. Although they Precautioned him before marriage therefore we do appoint Barnabus Mosher & Wm Wood to Labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to treat with David Smith Report as followeth which is Accepted

Agreeable to the Appointment of the Monthly Meeting - We have made Inquiry into the complaint against David Smith and have Labour with him to Leave the matter to Indifferent men in order to settle the Controversy, which was then existing between him and Daniel Russell & Abner Russell, which was then so far Complied with, as to choose the Arbitrators, but the other parties not appearing to proceed in the Matter in order for settlement, therefore we think David Smith may be dismissed from a complaint at present

Report Concerning David Smith

Given forth by your Committee this 18<sup>th</sup> mo 1773

Joseph Tucker  
Abraham Howland  
Barnabus Mosher  
Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland



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Thomas Almy hath Removed within the Corps of Acookest Monthly Meeting to Live and Desires a Removal Certificate Do appoint Anne Allen & Nicholas Howland to Inquire into his life & Conversation and to see that his life & Conversation that his outward affairs be settled to satisfaction and Draw a Certificate for him if they think proper and make Report to next meeting

William Barker and Daniel Cornal hath Exhibited a Complaint against David Smith for Reporting that some of the Overseers were false men in Testimony Wm Barker & Daniel Cornal to their Disgrace therefore this meeting do appoint Benja Taber Nicholas Howland John Ricketson Benj Howland & Wm Wood a Committee to inquire into and to Judge and Determine the matter between them in behalf of this meeting and make Report to next Meeting

Prize Allen hath Collected by way of Subscription - 7:12:9  
Benj Howland & hath collected by way of Subscription 13-4:0  
and said money is Delivered to Wm Anthony for Repairing Meeting house  
the Collection is Referred to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> 1773  
the Representatives are Samuel Smith and James Davis present  
David Shepherd Reports that he attended the Marriage of Joseph Russell & Mehetabel Howland According to Appointment which was confirmed Orderly & P. David has Rendered a Charge for his not making Report Last monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to treat with Sherman Coar Report that they have treated with him and he gave them a good Degree of Satisfaction; And P. Coar hath given in a paper to this meeting signifying his sorrow, Therefore the matter is Referred under the Care of the above Committee and Paul Russell is added to them for a further Trial of his sincerity and they to Report to next meeting when they think necessary

The Committee appointed to inquire into the matter Respecting Thomas Almy, have Draughted a Certificate on his behalf to the next meeting of Acookest which was signed by the Clerk in behalf of this meeting

Thomas Almy request a Certificate

Complaint against David Smith

money collected for repairing meeting house

2<sup>nd</sup> 1773

for Russell's marriage

Sherrman Coar give in a paper

T. Almy Certificate signed

2 month  
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Complaint against David Smith

The Committee appointed Respecting the Complaint of Wm Barker and Daniel Cornal against David Smith for Reporting that some of the Overseers were false men Report as followeth and is accepted

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth  
Agreeable to your Appointment last monthly meeting we have made Inquirey into the grounds of the Complaint of Wm Barker & Daniel Cornal Against David Smith and we find by undoubted Evidence that P. David Smith has Publickly Reported that some of the Overseers of our Meeting were false men to the Disgrace of them therefore our Judgment is that P. David Smith ought to Publickly to Condemn the same, as he Reported the same

Judgment against D. Smith

Given forth by your Com<sup>tee</sup>  
this 10<sup>th</sup> the 1<sup>st</sup> 1773  
Nicholas Howland  
John Ricketson  
Benja Taber  
Wm Wood  
Benj Howland

David Smith Requests a Copy of the Complaint of Wm Barker & Daniel Cornal against him which is granted  
Likewise P. David Requests an Appeal from the aforesaid Judgment to the Quarterly meeting which is granted

P. Appeal granted

The Committee appointed to settle Accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have settled Accounts and Remains in the Stock 25:1:2 odd tenner

settled accounts with Treasurer

The P. Committee also Inform that they have collected the Chief Debts against this meeting which amount to 35:11:2

account of meetings debt

this meeting collected the sum of - 13-11-2  
and the Treasurer is Ordered to Deliver 2:00 Supplement money to the Overseers of the poor for the Use of the poor  
and P. Treasurer is Ordered to pay Wm Anthony 2:2:2 money for Repairing the meeting house

Order on Treasurer

Samuel Smith is Appointed to Draught Subscriptions for to Raise money to Defray the above Debts and bring those to the Adjournment of this meeting, this meeting adjourns to the last fourth Day in this month

money to be raised



2<sup>mo</sup> 1773

At a Monthly Meeting met by Adjournment 24<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>mo</sup> 1773

The case of David Smith

The Representatives were called Samuel Smith present this meeting has further considered the matter respecting David Smith and do appoint Prine Alesh Seth Sherman Abraham Tucker to shew him the judgment that was read and accepted at the first sitting of this meeting in consequence of the Complaint of Wm Basher and Daniel Cornal and to Labour with the said David to comply therewith and make Report to the next monthly meeting

Commit to correct & minutes

Thos Hicks Samuel Smith Job Russell Wm Anthony & are appointed to correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to be put on Records and also to inspect the papers and they to burn them that appear to be of no use or service and make Report to next mo Meeting

Papers for subscriptions

Samuel Smith hath Drafted papers for subscription agreeable to Appointment and Caleb Russell Prine Allen Gideon Howland William Mosher Timothy Russell & Jonathan Hussey are appointed to communicate & papers to each member of this meeting that are able in order for them to subscribe thereto & P Committee to receive the money and pay the same into the Treasury of this meeting and make Return of their doings and the sum total to be collected to this meeting as soon as they can with Concurrency

J. Hussey overseer of burying ground

Jonathan Hussey is appointed to have the Oversight of the Burying Ground ~~belonging~~ belonging to this meeting in the Room of Daniel Russell Deceased

3<sup>mo</sup> 1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1773

Treasurer paid out money

The Representatives are William Mosher & William Wood present the Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the Overseers of the poor L<sup>r</sup> 0-0 Lawfull money also paid Wm Anthony L<sup>r</sup> 2-2 money as Ordered last monthly meeting

Report of Com on David Smith case

The Committee appointed to shew David Smith the judgment in consequence of the Complaint of Daniel Cornal & Wm Basher against said David and to labour with him to comply therewith Report as followeth which is accepted

Agreeable to appointment we have shewed David Smith the Judgment of the Committee appointed to Judge & Determine between said Smith and the Overseers of our Meeting which was read and Accepted in our last monthly Meeting (David Smith present) we have likewise laboured with said Smith to comply with said Judgment which he Resolves to do and still Insisted upon his appeal to the Quarterly meeting

Dated Dartmo of 17<sup>th</sup> June 1773

Abraham Tucker  
Seth Sherman  
Prine Allen

To correct Minutes & Record them

The Committee appointed to correct the Monthly Meeting minutes & inspect the loose papers & burn those that appear to be of no use or service Report that they have fulfilled their appointment & Saml Smith & Wm Anthony on is to Record & Mi

Step: Merrithew desires a Certificate

Stephen Merrithew hath Removed within the compass of Sandwich Monthly Meeting and Desires a Removal Certificate therefore we Appoint John Williams & James Devise to Inquire into his Life and Conversation & also to see if his outward affairs be settled to Satisfaction and Draught a Certificate for him if they find things clear and Report to next month meeting



Report of  
Comm. on  
yearly meet-  
ing

The Committee appointed to Confer with Acobset Meeting about the Alteration of our yearly meeting Report as followeth which is Accepted

agreed  
by  
Cockfel  
& Friends  
yearly  
meeting  
to be two  
distinct  
meetings

We the Committee appointed by the Monthly Meetings of Dartmouth and Acobset, Pursuant to appointment we have Weightily Considered the matter in regard to an Alteration in our yearly meeting, and have Agreed that 2 yearly meetings be two distinct meetings the better to Accomodate the Select meeting and that they both be held at the same time as heretofore and that the time of meeting be first as followeth (viz)

The first day of said meeting to begin at the tenth twelfth hour the second Day at the Eleventh hour & the last Day of tenth hour Dartmouth the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 1773

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|----------------|------------------------|
| Joshua Davel   | Joseph Tucker          |
| Samel Smith    | Abraham Tucker         |
| Paul Nuffell   | Jon <sup>r</sup> Hufey |
| Leomuel Nipson | Joseph Tripp           |
|                | Job Nuffell            |

The Inquiries hath been Answered in this meeting and an Epistle signed to the Quarterly meeting and ordered forward by the Repre- sentatives who are Wm Mosher Samuell Smith Bosillia Tucker Prine Allen & Job Nuffell and Likewise D. Representatives are to Procure such papers & Copies as shall appear Necessary and Report to next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 4<sup>th</sup> of 4 mo 1773 the Representatives are Thos Hicks & James Davie Present

Certified  
for  
the  
Meeting

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Stephen Hearth the 10<sup>th</sup> of the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich

Report from  
Quart meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended according to Appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and well accepted

J. Case  
Desires a  
Certificate

Job Case Inform that he is about to Remove to the Oblong and Desires a Removal Certificate for himself and Children, therefore do Appoint Prine Allen & Daniel Cornal to Inquire into his life and Conversation and see that his Outward affairs be Settled to Satisfaction and Draw a Certificate for them if they find things Clear and bring it to next monthly Meeting

Meeting at  
Bedford  
Continued

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of that meeting at Bedford Report that they attended D. meeting which was kept in a good Degree orderly, and the friends at Bedford Request that the week day meeting there be continued as heretofore untill the Monthly Meeting in the tenth month Next, which is granted and David Shepher & James Davie are appointed to have the Oversight of D. meeting to see that it be kept orderly & in the Authority of truth and Report to the tenth Month next

H. Cook  
admitted a  
member

The Women friends Inform that they have Admitted Hannah Cook a member of our Society which this meeting approveth The friends at Newtown Inform that they think it Necessary to Drop several meetings held on week Day these being the meeting held on that week our youths meeting is, and also the meeting on that week our Monthly meeting is held therefore D. meetings are discontinued for time to come

Some meetings  
discontinued  
in New Town

S. Case  
paper  
Accepted

The Report respecting Harman Cross being Satisfactory therefore this meeting accepts of his paper Condemning his moving out of the Unity of friends

Judgment again  
David Smith  
Confirmed by  
Quart meeting

This meeting is Informed by the Epistle from the Quarterly Meeting that said meeting has Confirmed the



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the Judgment of this Meeting against David Smith therefore we appoint Abraham Tucker Prine Allen and James Davie to Labour with said Smith to comply with said Judgment, and they to Report to next Monthly Meeting

Received  
Extracts  
from  
of  
the  
Meeting

This Meeting has Received 330 Extracts of Epistles from the Quarterly Meeting which were Lately Reprinted and are to be Distributed among friends in generally

Money  
Recd by  
Subscrip  
tions

William Mosher Reports that he has Received by way of Subscription £40 "12 " 2 old tenner which he paid into the Treasury, And D Treasurer is orderd to pay sd sum to the one that has Demands on this Meeting and Report to next Mo Meeting --- Collected at this meeting - £6 "18 " 0 Old Ten

Order on  
Treasurer

5<sup>mo</sup>  
1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>mo</sup> 1773 the Representatives are Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks & Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith present the friends appointed to inquire into Job Caspers Conversation and Settlement of his outward affairs and prepare a certificate for him, Report that D Caspers affairs are not all settled therefore they have not prepared one for him, and they are continued in that Service and to Report when ready

on the use  
of Job  
Casper

David  
Smith  
Case

The Committee appointed to Labour with David Smith Reports as followeth that he is not willing to comply with the Judgment of this Meeting and D matter is Referd to next Monthly Meeting under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

Order on  
Treasurer

The Treasurer reports that he hath paid part of the money as orderd last Monthly meeting, therefore he is still Continued to pay as Orderd and Report to next Monthly Meeting when he thinks Necessary

John Howland  
Requests  
Certificate

John Howland Requests a Certificate to the next meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his Cleareness Respecting marriage and Conversation, and we appoint David Shepley and James Davie to take the necessary Care

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Care on that Account and Draw a Certificate if they think proper and bring to next Monthly Meeting

friends  
Request to  
build a Meet  
house at  
Bedford

Friends Living at Bedford Request the Liberty of building a Meeting House there Therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Joseph Barker John Potter Benja<sup>m</sup> Smith & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks & William Anthony to Consider wheather it be best to build a house there or not, and if they think best to build to agree on what size to build, and Report to next Meeting

M<sup>r</sup>. Stratton  
Received a  
members  
Susan & Wing

The Women friends Inform that they have Minuted Margaret Stratton and Susanah Wing under their Care which this meeting Approveth of

D<sup>r</sup>. Casper  
Complain  
of Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith

Daniel Fornal hath Exhibited a Complaint against Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith for accusing him of being a false man and saying he could prove it, which is Referd to next Monthly Meeting on Reason of D Smith not being present and John Pottery is appointed to Inform D Smith and Report to next Monthly Meeting this Meeting collected £7 " 6 " 2 Old tenner

6<sup>mo</sup> 1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1773 the Representatives are Prine Allen & W<sup>m</sup> Anthony present

D<sup>r</sup>. Smith  
Denial

The Committee appointed to have the Care of that matter Reporting David Smith Report that he Refuses to comply with the Judgment of this Meeting and friends being pleas'd from further Labour with him Do hereby Deny the said David Smith from being a member of our Society and Prine Allen is appointed to Inform D Smith of his Denial and Report to next Monthly Meeting

J. H. obtain  
Certificate

This Meeting has signed a Certificate for John Howland to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island Certifying his Cleareness Respecting marriage & Conversation



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1773  
The Smith  
Case

The Refrance of Last Monthly Meeting Respecting Daniel  
Conal and Tho: Smith, Now Coming under notice and we  
appoint David Shephard Abraham Howland James Davie  
Seth Russell Joseph Barker to Inquire and here and Determine  
between them in behalf of this meeting & Report to next mo Meeting

Wm Mathews  
certified  
this  
meeting

Our friend William Mathews hath dictated this meeting with his  
Certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Warrington in the County  
of York in Pennsylvania Dated the fifth month last, whose  
and Service in the Truth is well Accepted Likewise our friend John  
Willis hath dictated us with a few Lines of Assurance from the  
yearly Meeting of Flushing held the first of the 6mo 1773 whose  
Dict was kindly Accepted

R: B &  
wives  
Certificate

This Meeting hath Received Removals Certificates from Rie Baker  
and Wife from the Monthly Meeting of Newhaet which is kept  
This Meeting hath concluded for friends to meet at the Eleventh  
hour in the fore noon at all our meetings for worships Except  
our yearly Meetings - this meeting Adjourns to the first  
Sive Day in next month

Meeting  
to begin  
at the 11  
hour  
adjourn

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At a Monthly Meeting held According to Adjournment  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the 7mo 1773 the Representatives both present

Wm Anthony  
Clerk

William Anthony jr is Chosen Clerk for this day and untill  
Job Russell shall be able to attend the business

Building  
Bedford  
meeting  
house refer  
to next  
meeting

The Committee Appointed to Consider about Building a Meeting  
House at Bedford, Report that they think it might be well  
to build a House there, yet that matter is Refer to the  
Quarterly Meeting for further advice An Epistle to the Quarterly Meeting  
was sign'd & sent with of advice to the Quaries by our Representatives whose  
Representatives Tho: Hicks Barisela Tucker Caleb Russell Seth Russell & Nicholas Howland

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1773

At a Monthly Meeting held at Dartmouth the 7<sup>th</sup> of 7mo 1773  
the Representatives are Wm Mathews & Samuel Smith present  
Luther Wood and Susanna Wing Deceased their Intentions of  
marriage also Benjamin Sandy & Hannah Cook Deceased  
and Ben Sandy

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L. W. & W  
published

Their Intentions of marriage they having produced their parents  
Consent in writing to Satisfaction and were Defd to wait till  
next monthly meeting for their Answer, And Prine Allen and  
Joseph Barker are appointed to Inquire into Luther Wood's Clearance  
Respecting marriage and Conception, And Barisela Tucker and  
Wm Wood are appointed to Inquire into Benj's Suddies Clearance respect  
marriage & Conception and Report to next mo meeting

J. Smith in  
form of his  
denial

Prine Allen Informs that he Informed David Smith of his Denial  
as ordon Last mo meeting

The Smith's  
Case refer'd

The Committee appointed on Account of Tho: Smith & Daniel Conal  
Report that they have had an opportunity to Discharge their  
therefore the matter is Refer'd under their Care and they to make  
Report to next monthly meeting

Returns from  
our meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that  
they all attended Except Seth Russell & he hath Received an License  
which is Accepted, said friends have Produced an Epistle from  
said Quarterly meeting which hath been Read and kindly Ac-  
cepted And Likewise the London Printed Epistle of last year  
which hath been Read in this meeting & the Mooring & Johnson  
advise therein Earnestly Recommended to the Notice of each  
Individual, The Quarterly Meeting hath sent this meeting six books  
part whereof was wrote by Ambrose Rigg, Entitled, a serious  
warning to such as are concerned in Commerce & Trading &c  
The other part being the Advice of several yearly meetings in  
London, which books are Recommended to friends Benj's

Received  
6 books  
from  
the  
meeting

Received  
T. W. Certifi-  
appeal granted  
to David Smith

Received a Removal Certificate from Newhaet Monthly meeting  
on behalf of Tho: Willcox Dated 7<sup>th</sup> month 1773 which is Accepted  
This meeting grants David Smith an Appeal to the Quarterly  
meeting and Prine Allen is appointed to Inform David Smith that of  
Caleb Russell Informs that he hath Collected by way of Subscription  
according to appointment 4<sup>th</sup> 11 1/2 o old tenor  
Prine Allen Reports likewise that he hath Collected of Subscription  
as appointed 20<sup>th</sup> 11 1/2 o all which they paid into the treasury  
this meeting Collected 2<sup>o</sup> 5<sup>o</sup> 1/2 o old tenor

money collected



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order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Joseph Tucker £ 1/6 0 ad tenon for shewing friends horses

The treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for half years keeping the meeting house

overseers of meeting

This Meeting appoints Prince Allen & Thomas Hicks to oversee the Meeting Dishes & to inspect the meeting house Lot in the Room of John Potter who is Dismissed & Seth Sherman Deceased

16 of 8 may 1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 16 of 8 mo 1773 the Representatives are Tho: Hicks & Barzilla Tucker both Present

Lut Wood and Ben Sawdy Clearness

The friends Appointed to Inquire into Luthon Woods and Ben Sawdy's Clearness Respecting Marriage & Conception make Report that they find nothing to hinder their Proceeding

Luthon Wood and Ben Sawdy Answer

Luthon Wood & Sufarah King appear at this meeting for their Answer whose Answers were, that each couple might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting. Advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Joseph Barker & Prince Allens are appointed to see Luthon Woods marriage performed orderly and William Wood and Peleg Gifford is appointed to see Ben Sawdy's marriage performed orderly and they to make Report to next meeting

The Smith case continued

The Committee Appointed on Account of Daniel Smith & Thomas Smith Report that D. Smith Refuses to make Answer thereto until he have a Copy of the Complaint Exhibited against him which this meeting grants provided D. Smith Obligate himself that he make no other Use thereof but for his own Defense in the Society. And the afore<sup>d</sup> Committee are continued in that Service and make Report to next monthly meeting

Treasurer paid out money

The treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell 5 Dollars 20 Order Likewise Joseph Tucker 3/ as order

8 month 1773

C. Hoag called this meeting

Comfort Hoag hat Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at Hampton in the Province of New Hampshire in New England bearing Date of 5<sup>th</sup> of 6 mo 1773 which kindly Accepted

A. Russell Denied

The Committed appointed to have the Care of Abner Russell Some months past Report that one of them hath had an opportunity of Conference with him and he gave him no Satisfaction on that account and that he had fallen into the like Disorder again and is Obfounded so as friends have Opportunity with him, and this meeting Apprehending they are Clear hath signed a paper of Denial against him and the Clerk is Ordered to Read & publish at the End of a first Day meeting & Return <sup>the</sup> papers to next monthly meeting

P. Howland's Request

James Howland <sup>is</sup> Desires to come under the Care of friends therefore we Appoint Jonathan Hussey Barzilla Tucker and John Williams to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference with him in Order to Discover the motive of his Request and Report to next monthly meeting

order to give a Copy of Denial

The Clerk is Ordered to give David Smith a Copy of the minute of his Denial made Against him Agreeable to his Request

This meeting Collected £ 8 10 11 4 ad tenon Prince Allen Reports that he Informed David Smith that his Appeal is granted

order in entering into the meeting house

This meeting Discovers Disorders by People Companying Round the meeting house and talking in Companies before meeting and also the time of Day for meeting both for Whiskies and Displike - Therefore so appoint our friend Joseph Tucker Tho: Hicks Joseph Barker Prince Allen & Wm Anthony Jr and Wm Mosher to inspect into the above Disorders and Advise as they shall think proper in that Report and they to be continued in that Service one year and then make Report to this meeting



9<sup>mo</sup> 1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>mo</sup> 1773  
William Mosher and Samuel Smith appear as Representatives from  
the Preparative meeting

meeting adjourned by request

This meeting concludes to Adjourn to the 21<sup>st</sup> Instant by the Request  
of a Committee which was appointed by the Quarterly meeting  
to Viset the Monthly Meetings -

mett 9<sup>mo</sup> 1773

This Meeting being met by Adjournment of 20 of 9<sup>mo</sup> 1773  
the Representatives being Called both present

La Wood and Benj. Wood marriage

The friends Appointed to see Lathan Woods & Susanah Winge  
marriage consumated, Also the friends Appointed to see Benje  
Lawdies & Hannah Cook marriage consumated All made report  
to this meeting that they Discharged themselves according to  
appointment on those Accounts and saw nothing but 2<sup>d</sup> marriages  
was consumated orderly

A: Russell paper read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against  
Abner Russell as ordered and Returned paper to this meeting  
which is as followeth

From our Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth  
the 16<sup>th</sup> Day of 9<sup>mo</sup> 1773

Testimony against A: Russell

Whereas Abner Russell having had his Education among  
friends, but by not giving heed to the grace of God in his  
own heart, a Measure thereof is given to every man to  
profit withal, has so far been lead away through the  
Stratagem and Temptations of the Enemy of mans felicity,  
as to be Accused and Charged on oath by Mary Anthony of  
being the father of her Bastard Child, And friends having  
Bestowed some Labour with him in Order to bring him to a  
sense of his Transgression that he by an Unsigned Repre-  
sentance might be Restored to the way of truth again but his Conduct  
& Behaviour since that Labour was bestowed on him seems to demon-  
strate it had not its desired Effect, Friends therefore thinking they  
are clear from any further Labour with him think we can do no  
less for the flooring of truth, than to testify against him & hereby do  
Division thro' Abner Russell from being a member in Unity with our  
Society, Nevertheless hoping & desiring that if through the Riches of  
his grace & mercy may yet bring him to a Right Sense of his way  
& by unsigned Representance bring his peace to be made with him and  
Reported to it way of truth

Signed in and on behalf of our meeting by Wm Anthony Clerk

9 Month 1773

James Howland Case refered

The friends Appointed to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference  
with James Howland junor Report that they have had some Confer-  
ance with him and he gave them some Satisfaction and P. Howland  
is now gone to see and the matter is Refered under the Care of said  
Committee and they to make Report as soon as the Can with leave  
money

Smith Rec a copy of minutes

The Clerk Reports that he gave David Smith a Copy of the  
minutes of his Denial as ordered

The Case of Sam Smith continued

The Committee appointed on Account of Daniel Cornal &  
Thomas Smith, Reports that they are not Ready to make  
full Return of their Appointment therefore the matter is  
Refered under their Care, and said Committee Desire some addition  
therefor this meeting adds Giles Slown Wm Wood Barzillia  
Fulker and Joseph Howland to the afore<sup>d</sup> Committee and they  
to make Report to next monthly meeting

money Collected

Gideon Howland Reports that he hath Collected 29 1/2 8<sup>th</sup> of June  
by way of Subscription as appointed some months past and hath  
said money into the Treasurer

Reports to the 2 meeting

The Quories were read in this meeting and Answers thereto  
prepared Likewise an Epistle prepared and signed by the Clerks  
for the Quarterly meeting and Ordered forward to said Quarterly  
by the Representatives who are Caleb Russell Barzillia  
Fulker William Anthony Wm Barker Prince Allen and  
Samuel Smith and they to make Report to next meeting

appointing our year Report

The Appointing Overseers both of the meeting & of the Door  
is Refered to next monthly meeting

10<sup>mo</sup> 1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 18<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>mo</sup> 1773  
Jonathan Huxley & Tho: Hicks appears as Representatives from the  
Preparative meeting

reference for early meeting

This meeting thinke proper to Appoint some friends to have  
the care and Oversight of the Seats & other Seats at our  
Enjoining yearly meeting to prevent Indecencies among  
the youth & others also therefore Do Appoint our  
friends Wm Barker Wm Sandford Jone Huxley Joseph Baker  
Tho: Hicks Samuel Smith Wm Anthony & Abraham Holbrook  
and Benj<sup>r</sup> Clerk



10 month  
1773

for that purpose and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

adjour n

This Meeting Adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> Instant after meeting for worships which is to begin at 4<sup>th</sup> Eleventh hour

10<sup>th</sup> mo  
1773  
meth

This Meeting meet by Adjournment of 25<sup>th</sup> of some 1773 the Representatives are Jonathan Hufsey and Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks present

The Smiths  
Case Report

The Committee appointed on account of Daniel Cornal and Thomas Smith Reports that they are not ready to make Return therefore the matter is Referred under their Care and they to make to next monthly meeting

Epistle  
Received  
from  
L. meet

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being called upon, Report that they all attended P<sup>r</sup> meeting and Produced an Epistle from the same which was read in this meeting & kindly Accepted

Overseers in  
the Society

This Meeting Appoints our friends Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks W<sup>m</sup> Mosher William Anthony & Benj<sup>m</sup> Howland & James Davis as Overseers in the Society for the year ensuing

Overseers  
of  
the  
Door

This Meeting Appoints our friends Joseph Barker Saleb Russell Barnilla Tucker Abraham Howland David Shepherd John Williams & Gideon Howland Overseers of the door for the year ensuing

meeting  
at  
Bedford  
vice  
Requested

The friends Appointed to have the Oversight of if meeting at Bedford made Report that they generally attend P<sup>r</sup> meeting which was kept in a Good Degree Orderly and P<sup>r</sup> friends at Bedford still Requests to hold their meeting on first & second week Days as usual untill if monthly meeting in if 8<sup>th</sup> mo next, which is granted and David Shepherd & James Davis are Appointed to have the Oversight of P<sup>r</sup> meeting & make Report at if Expiration thereof

F. Wing  
Intention  
of marriage

Jonathan Wing and Ann Wood Declard their Intentions of marriage and were desired to wait till next mo Meeting for their Answer, The P<sup>r</sup> Wing having Produced a certificate from Acah at M<sup>o</sup> Meeting Respecting marriage This meeting collected \$14-7-2 O D tennors

11<sup>th</sup>  
mo  
1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1773 the Representatives are Jonathan Hufsey & Barnilla Tucker

Overseers of  
yearly meeting  
Report

The friends appointed Last monthly meeting to have the Oversight of the Lefts and Other Seats at our yearly meeting, made Report that they all attended P<sup>r</sup> meetings, and Respectably Discharg<sup>d</sup> themselves in that Respect and that said meeting was conducted in some good Degree Orderly on that account

Case of Tho  
Smith report

The Committee Appointed in the case between Daniel Cornal and Thomas Smith not being Ready to make report, one of them being Sick, its therefore Referred to next monthly meeting

Transcripts  
read

The Transcripts Received from the Quarterly meeting in if 7 month last hath now been Read and the Wholsom Advice therein Contained is earnestly Recommended to friends Obprobation & notice

B & L wif  
paper

Barker Little and Elisabeth his wife hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning their falling into the Sin of Fornication therefore we Appoint Dime Allen and Philip Allen and Jonathan Hufsey to have an Opportunity of Conference with P<sup>r</sup> Little also to Inquire into his life & Conversation in order to Discover his Sincerity and make report to next monthly meeting

Complaint  
against Eben  
eter Warner

This Meeting is Informed from the Disparative meeting that Ebenzer Mosher Neglects attending our meetings for which Disorder he hath been labourd with and gave no Satisfaction on that account and Desires to be Disowned by friends, And we appoint Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to have the Care of that matter and Labour as they may find freedom & make Report to next mo meeting

Complaint  
against  
R. Perkins

This Meeting is Informed that Richard Peckham hath Married his first Coupan & Married out of the Unity of friends R. Perkins and his wife hath had a Child soon after Marriag and he hath been Labourd with and Declines making Satisfaction and we Appoint Joseph Gifford David Shepherd and John Williams to have the Care of if matter and Report to next monthly meeting



W. Briggs  
Certificate  
Returned

Wesley Briggs and family hath Returned their Certificate to this meeting Dated of 29<sup>th</sup> mo 1770 which this meeting accepts

A. Wing  
Received  
his Answer

Jonathan Wing and Anna Wood appear for their Answer which was that they might Proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time before next mo Meeting

Advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, and John Potter and William Mather are appointed to see their marriage solemnized in good order and make Report to next Monthly Meeting

This meeting collected the sum of £ 8 - 4 - 0 p<sup>ts</sup> tennor

meetings  
begin at  
12 hour

This Meeting concludes that all our meetings for Worship only except at Bedford begin at the twelfth hour

12 mo  
1773

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 28<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>mo</sup> 1773 the Representatives are Prince Allen and Samuel Smith present

Case of  
Barker  
Little report

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to confer with Barker Little in order to Discover his Sincerity Report that they think proper to wait a while Longer before we accept his paper therefore the matter is Refer<sup>d</sup> under the same friends care as heretofore and they to make report to next mo meeting

Overseers of  
yearly meet  
ing report

Joseph Barker and Benjamin Chase makes report that they attended the yearly Meeting according to Appointment and saw nothing but what was in tolerable good order and they have both Rendered an Excuse for their not Reporting to Last monthly meeting which is Accepted

The Smith  
Case report

The Committee appointed on Account of Daniel Cornal and Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith Inform that they are not Ready to make Report therefore the matter is Refer<sup>d</sup> on month longer under their care and then they to make Report

E. Mather  
Danced

The friends Appointed to treat with Ebenezer Mather report that they have Discharg<sup>d</sup> themselves on that account and he gave them no Satisfaction and this meeting Approaching they have fully Discharg<sup>d</sup> themselves therefore his Request is granted and we do hereby Disown him tho<sup>s</sup> Ebenezer Mather from being a member of our Society and Abraham Tucker is appointed to Inform him of his Denial

friend  
to draw a  
paper  
against  
R. Deakham

The friends Appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting Richard Deakham Report that they have had an Opportunity with him and he Declines considering his Disorders to friends Satisfaction, and the same friends are Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against him and to shew him the same and labour with him as they may find freedom and make Report to next monthly meeting

J. White  
W  
marriage  
Conferred

The friends Appointed to see Jonathan Wings and Anne Woods marriage solemnized Report that they attended the marriage and saw nothing but what it was solemnized in good order

W. Russell  
gives in  
paper

William Russell hath given in a paper to this meeting concerning his marriage out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint Samuel Smith and Abraham Hobbs to have an Opportunity of conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity on that account and make Report to next monthly meeting

Complaint  
Francis Allen  
and son Tho<sup>s</sup>

This meeting is Inform<sup>d</sup> that Francis Allen and his son Thomas hath taken the Oath in form before a Magistrate they having been labour<sup>d</sup> with on that Account and P. Francis hath appeared in this meeting & Condemned the Oath and Offered his two much Neglect in attending meeting, which seems to be some Degree of Satisfaction, but it being the mind of this meeting that P. Francis ought to be Condemned Publickly therefore this meeting do Appoint our friends Benj<sup>n</sup> Tucker and John Williams to assist the P. Francis and to labour with his son as they may find freedom & make Report to next meeting this meeting collected 9 - 5 - 0 p<sup>ts</sup> tennor



12 month  
1773

making  
Adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the last fourth day in this month after the meeting for worship which begins at 5<sup>th</sup> hours

next  
19 mo 1773

This meeting being meet by Adjournment of 29<sup>th</sup> of June 1773 the Representatives are Prince Allen & Samuell Smith present

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto prepared and an Epistle read and singed for the quarterly meeting and orderd forward by our Representatives who are

Representative  
to the meeting

Prince Allen William Anthony & William Wood Nicholas Howland and Thomas Hicks and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The young Couple that appeard at this meeting for their to Lay their Intentions of marriage being confidrd and friends not being Unanimous in letting them pass by reason of their being so nigh in kind therefore D. matter is Refrd. to next monthly meeting

R. Smith  
under  
Dealing

This meeting being Informd from the Preparative meeting that Ruben Smith hath been and contracted marriage with a young woman not of our Society that belongd to a Distant Land and brought her home with him wherein his conduct appears Very Disagreeable to friends principals and he being Labourd with by one of the Overseers and not giving Satisfaction for D. misconduct therefore we do appoint Prince Allen & Jonathan Hussey to have the care of that matter and Labour with him as they may find freedom & make Report when they have Discharged themselves

order on  
Treasurer

The treasurer is Orderd to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars for half a years keeping the Meeting house and make Report to next mo meeting

1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1774 the Representatives are Wm Barker & Jonathan Hussey present

Bark Little  
case referd

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting Barker Little Report that they are not fully Satisfied in that matter therefore D. matter is Refrd Under their care one month longer and then they to make Report

all but one of the Committee Appointed in that case between Daniel Cornal & Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith Report that said Smith Ought Publickly to Condemn his Reporting that Daniel Cornal was a false man, which Report being Accepted & is as followeth

Report of  
Committee  
Respecting  
D. C. & T. S.

Agreeable to the Appointment of the monthly meeting we have heard the matter Depending Between Daniel Cornal & Thomas Smith Respecting D. Smiths Accusing D. Cornal of Being a false man and that he could prove it

We having heard Each parties pleas & Allegations Respecting said affair and it is our Judgment that the aforesd<sup>d</sup> Accusation of Thomas Smiths against Daniel Cornal is with out sufficient grounds - And that therefore D. Smith Ought publickly to Condemn his Accusing D. Cornal of being a false man

Given forth and Dated  
this 27 Day of June 1773

Joseph Barker Giles Stoum  
Seth Russell Wm Wood  
Joseph Howland Abraham Howland  
James Davis Basilica Tucker

The Smith  
offender

Therefore said Thomas Smith is now lookd upon as an offender therefore we do Appoint our friends Abraham Tucker Wm Sandford Joseph Tucker & John Williams to Labour with him in order that he may Condemn his Disorder and they to make Report to next mo Meeting



1 month 1774

\* Resolving against Richard Peckham in paper 365

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Richard Peckham Report that they Discharge themselves on that Account and they have Draughted a paper of Discharge against Peckham which was signed by the Clerk & the Clerk is order, to read D. paper at y<sup>e</sup> Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly meeting & then make Report \*

Eben. Noyes Case

Abraham Tucker informs that he Desires to be continued one month longer in Discharging himself with Ebenezer Mosher as appointed

W<sup>m</sup> Russell give in a paper

The friends appointed to take an Opportunity with W<sup>m</sup> Russell Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction yet the receiving his paper is Refend to next Monthly Meeting

Franc Allen & son The give in a paper

Francis Allen & his son Thomas hath given in a paper to this meeting condemning their taking the oath in form, which is accepted provided they cause D. papers to be read publicly at the Close of a first Days meeting before next monthly meeting & Return D. paper and Report of its being read

Respectable Report

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended Except Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks, and he sent his Discuse which was Accepted - And they have Produced an Epistle from D. Quarterly meeting which hath been Read and the Moving and Salutory advice therein Earnestly Recommended to friends Notice & Objection

Tim Rabel paid

The treasurer reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell 5 Dollars as order

P. H. & C. V. (Inclined)

Gideon Howland and Catharin Sloum appear in this meeting in order to Lay their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and the matter of their being nigh in kind hath been weightily Considered and the Circumstances relating thereto, And as they have so far Contracted in that Relation before our yearly meeting minutes of 1772 was made in Regard to marriage of nigh in kind, And they were Ignorant, as they say that it was contrary to the orders of friends when they so Contracted and that they cannot now willingly

1 month 1774

Gideon Howland & Catharin Sloum proposal of marriage

Desist therefore this meeting doth permitt them to pass tho it is not fully Satisfactory to this meeting neither is it wont to be present but is at this time suffer for the Reasons aforesd therefore Gideon Howland and Catharin Sloum Declard their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were Desist to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and Benjamin Sloum and William Barker are appointed to Enquire into the young mans Cleomey respecting marriage and Conversation & Report to next monthly meeting

E. Russell Complain of

Deliverance Smith hath Exhibited a Complaint against Elisha Russell for Refusing to Submit a Controversy to men, therefore we do Appoint William Barker and Prince Allen to labour with him as they may find freedom & Report to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to visit those friends that possess Slaves made Report to this meeting which is Accepted and is as followeth - We the subscribers, Desirous to Appointment of the monthly meeting have again Visited those friends that possess Slaves and Labour with them to do Justice to their fellow Creatures by Discharging them from a State of bondage and Slavery, And William Sandford hath according to freed his Negro, Joseph Russell yet Refuses to Comply with our advice Pelag Sloum keeps his Negroes yet in bondage, but saith that he shall free them at the age of 26 years, they providing afterwar and Laying up a Certain sum yearly to secure his Estate, John Russell thath one that is under age that is now in a State of Slavery, but he gave Encouragement he should free her at a Sutable age & Isaac Howland hath given Good Encouragement to free his Negro

Report of of Committee about Negro masters

Given forth by your Committee this 17<sup>th</sup> of the mo 1774  
Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland 2d  
Basillica Tucker  
Samuel Smith

advice to Negro master

James Davis Report that And these friends mentioned in the above said Report that Continue Slaves in bondage we Desist to Comply with the tenth Query in that case and if not they may Expect to be Disownd



1<sup>st</sup> month  
1774

Divorce and we appoint our friends Joseph Gifford William Sandford William Anthony jr and Joseph Tucker jr to let them know the mind of this meeting & make report to next meeting  
This meeting Collected \$ 16.00 Old Tenno

2<sup>nd</sup> mo  
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 25<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1774  
The Representatives are William Mosher & Samuel Smith both present the friends that had the care of that matter Respecting Barker Little Report that they are not fully satisfied to receive his paper yet therefore they are still continued in that service and to make Report to next monthly meeting

Barker Little  
Case referred

R. P. Smith  
papers read

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the paper of Denial against Richard Pitbom as ordered

W. Russell  
case referred

The Review of Wm Russell paper is Referred one month longer in order to Discover his Sincerity & Samuel Smith and William Anthony jr are Appointed to have the care of that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting

Thos Smith  
disowned

The Committee appointed to Labour with Thomas Smith Report that he gave them no Encouragement of Condemning his Disorder agreeable to the Judgment of this meeting therefore we do hereby Disown the said Thos Smith from being a member of this meeting and we do Appoint our friends Thomas Hicks & Prince Allen to Draught a paper of Denial against P. Thos Smith and bring it next meeting and likewise Inform P. Smith of his Denial & his Right of appeal and Report to next monthly meeting

Eben Mosher  
of Denial

Abraham Tucker Reports that he fully answered his Appointment by Informing Ebenezer Mosher of his Denial

Francis Allen &  
Thos Allen  
case referred

Francis Allen & Thomas Allen made no Report of their paper being Read as ordered therefore the matter is Referred one month longer and James Davice is appointed to Inform them of their Neglect on that account and to Inform them that the meeting expects them to make Report as ordered at the meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1774

P. B. & C. D.  
not to have  
their papers  
sent to the  
next meeting  
for advice

This Meeting not being Unanimous in Ceting Pideon Howland and Catharin Howson have their papers by reason of their being disagreeable in kind therefore we conclude to send the matter to the Quarterly meeting for advice

E. P. Smith  
Continued to  
meet

The Committee appointed to labour with Elyah Russell Reports E. P. Smith that he concludes to leave P. Controversy to men and P. Committee are Continued to see that it is Completed, and make Report to next monthly meeting

Cont on leave  
Continued

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that possess Slaves Desire to be Continued one month longer and those friends are looked upon as offenders that hath not Complied with the birth Query

This meeting Collected \$ 11.00 Old Tenno

3<sup>rd</sup> mo  
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 25<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1774  
The Representatives are Wm Sandford & Benja Howland present The matter Respecting Barker Little & William Russell is Referred one month longer under the same friends Care as heretofore in order to Discover their Sincerity

P. Smith  
Denial  
Continued  
Read in  
page 299

The Committee Appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against Thomas Smith and Inform him of his Denial & Right of appeal Report that they Discharge themselves according to their appointment and this meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against Thos Smith and the Reading of paper Publicly is Referred by reason P. Smith Requests an appeal to the Quarterly meeting, which this meeting grants, and Thos Hicks is appointed to Inform him that we grant him an appeal to P. Quarterly meeting and Report to next meeting

Thos Smith  
Appeal

James Davis Reports that he Inform Francis Allen as ordered and they have not made Report at this meeting therefore the matter is Referred one month longer under the Care of James Davis and then he to make Report



The matter Respecting Elijah Russell being not fully settled therefore it is Refer'd as heretofore and the Committee to make Report when ready  
the matter Respecting those friends that Pope places is Refer'd one month longer under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

This Meeting Concludes to Discontinue the meeting that was held on the fourth day Preceding Sandwichs quarterly meeting when it happeneth in the same week with the monthly meeting

This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for Worship begin at the Eleventh hour  
this meeting Collected - 5 11 8 11 0

This meeting adjourns to the first Six Day in next mo after the meeting for Worship

This Meeting meet by Adjournment of 5 Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1774 the Representatives being called both Present

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of that meeting at Bedford made Report that they generally Attended D. meeting And that it was kept up in some good degree orderly, And the friends at Bedford still Request to hold a meeting for worship there which this meeting grants as follows

Said meeting to be held on Every first Day of the week and on Every Sixth day of the week. Except in those weeks that our Monthly meeting Preparative & youths meetings are and to continue till the third month next, and David Shepherd and James Davie are Appointed to have the Care and Oversight of D. meeting & make Report at the Expiration thereof

J. Chase Requests Certificate

Jacob Chase Requests a Removal Certificate for him self and Children to the Monthly Meeting of Acakset, and we do Appoint Borsillia Tucker & Barnabus Mophor to make the Yearling Inquiry in that matter and Draw one for him if they think proper and bring it next monthly meeting

Charles Russell paper

Charles Russell hath given a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the sin of fornication therefore we appoint Samuel Smith & Prince Allen to have the care of that matter in order to Discover his Sincerity and Report to next meeting

Ephraim Trip paper

Ephraim Trip hath given in paper to this meeting Condemning some misreport of his therefore we Appoint Borsillia Tucker and Prince Allen to have the Care of that matter in regard to the young mans Sincerity in that matter & Report to next monthly meeting

Gideon Gifford paper

Gideon Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his moving out of the Unity of friends and we Appoint our friends Abroham Tucker & Joseph Tucker to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and Report to next monthly meeting

J. Allen Requests Advice

Jedediah Allen Informs that he hath thoughts of being and Removing from hence and Desires the Advice of this meeting and we do Appoint our friends Prince Allen & Nicholas Howland to Advise with him as they may think proper

Reprohats to the Quarterly meeting

The Queries were Read & Answers thereto prepar'd and an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was Read & sign'd by the Clerk and sent with D. Answers to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Jonathan Hussey Borsillia Tucker Wm Anthony jr Tho: Hicks Wm Sandford & Prince Allen and they to make to next mo. meeting

To review or Minutes

Samuel Smith Tho: Hicks Prince Allen & Wm Anthony jr are appointed to Review & correct the monthly meeting minutes in order that they may go to Record and make Report to next mo meeting



4 mo  
1774

A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1774  
the Representatives are Thomas Hicks & Samuel Smith both Deput

Bar Little  
and  
Wm Russell  
case refer  
The matter respecting Barker Little & Wm Russell is Referred one  
month longer under the same friends as heretofore in order to  
Discover their sincerity & also to see if they duly attend meetings  
and then they to make Report

Thomas Hicks  
in form  
Thomas Hicks Reports that he informed Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith as ordered last  
monthly meeting

Francis Allen  
The Allen  
paper  
return  
Francis Allen made Report of his paper & his son Tho<sup>s</sup> being Read  
and is Return'd

Respecting  
Haves  
The matter respecting those friends that Joseph Haves is  
Refer'd one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore

Jacob Chase  
Case refer  
This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Jacob Chase  
and Children to the monthly meeting of Acushnet

Charles  
Russell  
case refer  
The matter respecting Charles Russell is Referred to next mo meeting  
under the care of the same friends for a further proof of his  
and they to make Report to next mo meeting

Eph<sup>s</sup>  
case refer  
The matter of Receiving Ephim Triggs paper is also Referred to next  
mo meeting under the care of the same friends for a further proof  
of his sincerity and they to make Report to next mo meeting

Gideon  
case refer  
The friends appointed to confer with Gideon Gifford Report  
that he gave them some Degree of Satisfaction but the  
Receiving his paper is Referred to next monthly meeting under  
the same friends as heretofore & then they to make Report

A Month  
1774

The friends Appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, Report that  
all attended Except Jonathan Hussey who sent his Excuse for his  
not attending which was Accepted. And they have produced  
an Epistle from a meeting which was Read & well accepted  
and the salutary advice therein Carefully observed and Re-  
commended to Each Individual

The friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meeting's  
minutes in order to go on Record Report they have fulfilled  
their Appointment and left them with Wm Anthony to go  
on Record

This Meeting appoints our friend William Anthony Jr  
Clerk of this meeting in the Room of our Deceased friend Bob  
Russell Deceased, and we do hereby Ratify and Confirm what  
Wm Anthony hath done as Clerk since the Death of Bob  
Russell

The Overseers have Inform'd that Paul Russell hath been  
guilty of abusive behavior in the night season at Roger  
Mothers also a being with an Unbecoming Company at  
Trine Dotts and the Overseers have Labour'd with him for his  
misconduct and he hath given in a paper condemning the same  
and we do appoint our friends Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker  
Barker & Jonathan Hussey to have the care of that matter and  
make Report to next monthly meeting

Wheress there hath Divins friends Removed and about to Remove  
within the compass of the Nine-partners monthly meeting  
Jonathan Smith and Made his wife Banja Russell formerly  
Stephen Smith & Children David Anthony & family and it  
appearing Necessary that they have Certificates therefor we do  
appoint our friend Jonathan Hussey Trine Allen & Samuel Smith  
William Anthony Jr Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks to sign the wove & make  
the Necessary Inquiry on that account and Draw Certificates  
if they find things Clear and bring them to next mo meeting

Daniel Conal Inform'd that he Desires some Advice  
Regard to his selling & Removing from hence, And we  
do appoint our friends Thomas Hicks William Sandford  
and Joseph Gifford for that purpose



4 month 1774

To settle with Treasurer

We appoint Prince Allen & William Anthony to settle accounts with the Treasurer & also with Tho Smith in behalf of this meeting & Report to next monthly meeting, they are also to receive & Examine all accounts that stand against this meeting and bring the sum total to next monthly meeting

This meeting hath collected ten pounds four Shillings & 7 old ten

3 mo 1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 5<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>mo</sup> 1774 the Representatives are Tho Hicks & Samuel Smith both present

Case of Ben and Wm Russell referred

The matters Respecting Barker Little & William Russell is Referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

Persons nominated

Maac Howland 2<sup>d</sup> hath signed a bill of Manicission for his Negro man Doro and Delivered to this meeting which this meeting accepts

Concerning Pel. Blount and John Russell and Slaves and J Russell

The matters Respecting Deleg Howland & John Russell in Regard their freeing their slaves is Referred by reason of some Encouragement of Compiz one month Longer under the same friends care as heretofore and also the matter Respecting Joseph Russell in regard to his holding his Negro in Bondage is Referred by the Request of his son & Abraham Tucker & John Dotter and they to make Report to next meeting when said Russell Returns home from his Journey

Case of Cha Russell referred

The matter Respecting Charles Russell is Referred under the care of the same friends as heretofore and they to make report next meeting when Ready as R. Russell is gone for home

Case of Eph Gifford and Paul Russell care referred

The matters Respecting Revising Ephim Trigg & Pideon Gifford paper is Referred one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore and then they to make Report

The matter Respecting Paul Russell paper is Referred one month longer under the same friends care as heretofore

5 month

month 1774

Certificates for Ben Smith Anthony & Children

This meeting hath signed Certificates for Jonathan Smith & Wife and David Anthony & Wife & Children to the Monthly meeting of the Nine Partners

Prince & William Anthony made Report to this meeting as followeth which is Accepted

According to Appointment we have settled Accounts with the Treasurer and Remain in the Stock - - £ 8 10 00 old ten

Due to Benj<sup>r</sup> Allen - - - - - 11 4 4 1/2 mo

Settlement of Accounts

Due to Benj<sup>r</sup> Smith for keeping Alice Smith from the 25<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>mo</sup> 1773 to the 4<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>mo</sup> 1774 - - - - - 5 7 4 1/2 mo

Due to Thomas Hicks for Repairing meeting house 3 - 3 - 11 - - - - - 2 0 4 0

Due to Timothy Russell - - - - - 0 4 0

and also we have settled with Tho Smith and paid him in full of all his Demands

Dartmouth the 6<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>mo</sup> 1774  
William Anthony  
Prince Allen

a few lines Jonathan Hapley

This meeting signed a few lines for Jonathan Hapley by way of Certificate to the Oblong & Nine partners as he is absent to travel to them parts

To draw Certs for Ben Russell Stephen Smith

We continued the same friends as heretofore to Draw Certificates for Benj<sup>r</sup> Russell & Stephen Smith and their Children and make Report when Ready - - - - -

This meeting collected - - - - - £ 2 11 20 0

Order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay Benj<sup>r</sup> Allen - - - - - £ 20 old ten and Report to next meeting

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 20<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>mo</sup> 1774 the Representatives are Jonathan Hapley & Prince Allen both present



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The matter Respecting Barber Little and William Russell is refer'd to next monthly meeting for further Consideration under the care of the same friends as heretofore

The matter in Regard to Ephraim Tripp is Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further proof of his Sincerity under the care of Anna Allen & Barzillia Tucker and then they to make Report

Likewise the Case of Gideon Gifford is Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker and then they to make report

The matters Respecting John Russell & Peleg Slocum in regard to their freeing their Negroes is Refer'd one month longer under the care of Joseph Gifford William Sandford and Samuel Smith by reason of Encouragement of Compliance and then they to make Report

The treasurer Reports he hath paid Benja Allen the money as order'd last mo meeting

Our friend Robert Walker hath Visited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Brighouse in the County of York, Dated the 17<sup>th</sup> of 5mo 1773 also one from a Quarterly meeting held at York the 24 & 25<sup>th</sup> of 5mo 1773 with a Concurring one from the yearly meeting of ministers & Elders held in London from the 29<sup>th</sup> of 5mo to the 7<sup>th</sup> of 6mo 1773 all which were read to satisfaction and his Vifit kind accepted

The matter in Regard to Paul Russell is refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore for a further proof of his Sincerity and then they to make Report

Thumphry Smith and Informs that he is about to Remove with his family to East Woodfiek and Desires our Certificate therefore Joseph Barker Primes Allen & Samuel Smith are appointed to make the Necessary Inquiry and draw one for him if think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting

Micajah Wood hath given in a paper condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends & we do appoint our friends Barzillia Tucker & Wm. Noyes to confer with him on that Account in order

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order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting

Our friend Elizabeth Robinson hath Vifited this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Richmond in Yorkshire bearing date of 4<sup>th</sup> of 5mo 1773 with one of Concurrence from the Quarterly meeting held at York the 24 & 25<sup>th</sup> of the same 1773 with another of Concurrence from the Yearly meeting of ministers and Elders held at London from the 29<sup>th</sup> of 5mo to the 7<sup>th</sup> of 6mo 1773 all which were Read to Satisfaction and her Vifit and Testimony well Accepted

Likewise our friend Sapanak Lightfoot hath vifit us with her Certificate from the monthly meeting held at Warkton Chester County in Pennsylvania Dated the 9<sup>th</sup> of the 6mo 1774 whose Vifit was kindly Accepted

The Queries and Answers thereto were read and an Epistle Sing'd for the Quarterly meeting and Order'd forward to said meeting by our Representatives, who are Tho. Hulse, James to J. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting Josice Barzillia Tucker Wm Anthony & Joh Williams and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

The friends at Bedford Request to hold two meetings for a Day at Worship on first days which is granted untill the monthly meeting in the tenth month next, Said meetings to begin in the fore noon at the 10 hour and in the afternoon at the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour

Giles Slocum hath Given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the Reproachfull Sin of fornication and we appoint our friends Samuel Smith Joseph Gifford Joseph Barker Wm. Barker Seth Rybell to take an Opportunity of Conference with said Slocum in order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report to next monthly meeting

This meeting collected - \$2 0 9 old tenner



7<sup>th</sup> mo  
1774

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 8<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1774  
the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey & Prince Allen both present

Case of  
W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
referred  
The matters Respecting William Russell is Referred one month  
longer under the Care of the same friends as heretofore & then they  
to make Report

Case of  
Bar Little  
referred  
The matter Respecting Barker Little is Referred to next mo  
meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore  
and then they to make Report

Case of  
Eph Tripp  
referred  
The matter Respecting Ephrim Tripp is Referred to next  
monthly meeting under the Care of Prince Allen & Banzelai  
Tucker, John Potter & Cabob Russell and they to Report next  
monthly meeting

Case of  
Gid Gifford  
referred  
The matter Respecting Gideon Gifford is Referred to next  
monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as  
heretofore and then they to make Report

Case of  
John Russell  
and  
Deleg Stocum  
referred  
The matters Respecting John Russell & Deleg Stocum  
Seeing their Negroes not being fully Completed  
therefore its Referred to next monthly meeting under the  
Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to  
make Report

Case of  
Paul Russell  
referred  
The matter in Regard to Paul Russell is Referred to next  
monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore  
and then they to make Report

Case of  
Sam Smith  
referred  
The friends appointed to prepare a Certificate for Humphry  
Smith Report that they have Completed & Besides that  
they are still continued for that purpose and to make Report  
to next monthly meeting

Case of  
Micajah  
Wood  
referred  
The matter Respecting Micajah Wood is Referred to next mo meeting  
under the care of the same friends as before and then they to  
make Report

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Return  
from Quarterly  
meeting  
The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report  
that all attended and have produced an Epistle from the  
same which was Read & well Accepted

London Epistle  
The London Printed Epistle of last year was read in this  
meeting and as it contains much Good Advice & Instruction  
Pertinant to the Present times it is ordered to be Publickly  
Read at the close of our meeting for worship

Transcrip yearly  
meeting Epistle  
A Transcrip of our Last yearly meeting Epistle was Read  
and kindly Accepted. P. Transcrip informs the yearly meeting  
confirm the Judgment of the Quarterly meeting against  
David and Tho. Smith and as to the matter of Gideon  
Howland & Katherine Stocum marriage, it is Recommended  
that we strictly adhere to the Rules of the Society in that  
Respect

Transcrip of  
London Written  
Epistle  
A Transcript of the London Written Epistle for the Last year  
was likewise read in this meeting and the Salutory advice  
therein well Received Also a Transcript of the Epistle from  
the yearly meeting of Philadelphia was read to good  
Satisfaction

Giles Stocum  
care referred  
The matter in Regard to Giles Stocum is Referred to next  
monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as  
heretofore and Jonathan & Daniel Cornal & Joh Williams  
are aded to them and they to make Report to next mo  
meeting

Sewel History  
paid for  
The Treasurer Reports he hath paid two Dollars it being  
the Remainder for one of Sewels History

Denial to be  
drawid against  
David Smith  
We appoint our friend Samuel Smith & Prince Allen to inspect  
the minutes made against David Smith and Draught a  
paper of Denial against him if they think proper when  
minutes is inspected and bring it to next monthly meeting



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Clement Biddle  
proposals  
marriage

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Clement Biddle of Philadelphia and Rebecca Conal  
Declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage  
and were Desir'd to wait untill the next monthly meeting  
for their Answer

D. Conal  
Requests  
Certificate

Daniel Conal Desires a Removal Certificate for him  
Self and Children <sup>to the meeting of the next partner</sup> under age therefore we appoint Thos  
Hicks and William Anthony to make the necessary and  
to Draw one for him if they think proper and bring it  
to next monthly meeting

Subscriptions  
to raise  
money

This meeting hath concluded to come to a Subscription  
being in Debt nearly to the amount of twenty five pound  
Lawfull money And our friends Caleb Russell Prince  
Allen William Wood & Abraham Howland & Benj. Sloum  
are Appointed to Receive & to pay the same into the  
treasury of this meeting and make Report of their Doings  
with the sum total as soon as they convenient can

This meeting hath collected £311 13 3 old tenno

Three books  
Received

This meeting hath Received three Books of Robert  
Barkley & William Penns works from our yearly meeting  
which is for the Use of friends in General

8 mo  
1774

Wm Russell  
case refer'd

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth <sup>the</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>mo</sup> 1774  
the Representatives are Prince Allen & Tho' Hicks present

The matter Respecting William Russell is Refer'd to next  
monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as here  
before, and they are Desir'd to Inform him that friends are  
not willing to Receive his papers by reason of his blackness  
of attending meetings

B. Little  
case refer'd

The matter Respecting Barker Little is Refer'd to next  
monthly meeting under the care of Jonathan Huggay & Seth Lupton  
and then they to make Report

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Ephraim Tripp  
case refer'd

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The matter Respecting Ephraim Tripp is Refer'd to  
next monthly meeting under the same friends care as here  
before and then they to make Report

Gideon Gifford  
case refer'd

The friends that had the care of that matter in regard to  
Gideon Gifford Desire the matter Refer'd one month longer  
therefore the matter is Refer'd under the same friends and then they to  
make Report

John Russell &  
Deley Sloum  
case refer'd

The matter in regard to John Russell & Deley Sloum going  
their Negroes not being yet fully completed therefore the  
matter is Refer'd one month longer under the same friends  
care as here before and then they to make report

H. Smith  
Certificate

This meeting hath signed Removal Certificates for  
Humphry Smith & his Wife and Children to the monthly  
meeting at the Nine partners

Paul Russell  
case refer'd

The matter Respecting Paul Russell is Refer'd to next  
monthly meeting under the same friends care as here be-  
fore and then they to make Report

Micajah Wood  
case refer'd

The matter in regard to Micajah Wood is Refer'd under  
the care of Barzillia Tucker Benjamin Rider and John  
Williams to next monthly meeting & then they to make  
Report

Giles Sloum  
case refer'd

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
Giles Sloum Desire the matter to be Refer'd which is Refer'd  
to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report

Testimony  
against  
D. Smith

Recorded in  
page 299

This meeting hath signed a paper of Denial against  
David Smith and the Clerk is order'd to read a paper  
Publicly at the close of a first days meeting for  
worship and make Report to next monthly meeting

Clement Biddle  
Certificate

Clement Biddle hath Produced a Certificate from  
the monthly meeting of Philadelphia certifying that he  
is a member of their meeting & clear of marriage being  
meant's Engagements as far as they know



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C. B. &  
R. C.  
Received  
their answer

Therefore Clement Biddle and Rebecca Cornal appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Caleb Russell and Jonathan Higby is appointed for that see their marriage solemnized in good order and make report to next monthly meeting

D. Cornal This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Nine partners for our friend Daniel Cornal and his Children under age

Certificate We appoint our friends Thomas Hicks Prine Allen William to be given Anthony La and Samuel Smith to Draw Removal Certificates for all the friends that have Removed to Sarhatoga that they on Enquiry shall think proper and make report to next monthly meeting - And also to Draw one for Pedediah Allen his wife and Children all to be Directed to the monthly meeting of Nine partners

order on Treasurer The Treasurer is orderd to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for half year keeping the meeting house

This meeting hath Collected £ 11 10 11 old tenor

1774 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> mo 1774  
The Representatives are William Sandford & Tho. Hicks present

W. Russell The matter Respecting Wm. Russell is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

Barker Little The matter Respecting Barker Little is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

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E. Tripp  
Denied

Whereas Ephraim Tripp hath long been under Dealing and the matter having been under the care of a Committee for a long time and now said Committee Report that they have found no Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown the said Ephraim Tripp from being a member of our Society and Prine Allen & Tho. Hicks is appointed to Draw a publick Testimony against him and bring it to next monthly meeting and also to shew him a Copy of the minute made against him

God Gifford's  
case referd

The matter Respecting Gideon Gifford is Referd to next monthly meeting under the Care of Joseph Tucker & William Noyes and then they to make report

Manumissions  
from John  
Russell

Notes Secum  
case referd

John Russell hath signed and Delivered to this meeting, two Bills of Manumission one for a Negro Woman Named Lue and one for a Negro gale Named Pilot which this meeting accepts. And Delag Slocum Not fully Complying with friends Request in Regard to freeing his Negroes therefore the matter is Referd under the same friends care as heretofore, to next monthly meeting & then they to make Report

P. Russell  
Denied

Whereas Paul Russell having been under Dealing and the matter hath been Long under the Care of a Committee & now the greater part of sd Committee (the other being absent) Report that they found no Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown of said Paul Russell from being a member of our Society and Prine Allen & Thomas Hicks are appointed to Draw a publick Testimony against P. Russell & bring it to next monthly meeting & also shew him a Copy of this minute

Certificates  
Singd for  
Several friend  
Zephaniah  
Anthony  
Wife & children  
&c

This meeting hath signd Removal Certificates, to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners for the following friend (viz) Shabrac Dennice his Wife and Children, Zephaniah Anthony with his Wife and Children



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*R. Biddle* This meeting hath also signed a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of Philadelphia, for Rebecca Biddle wife of Clement Biddle

*Micaj Wood case refer* The matter Respecting Micajah Wood is Refer'd to next mo meeting under the care of Borsillia Tucker, Benj<sup>r</sup> Rider, Joseph Barker & Prince Allen and then they to make Report

*Giles House case refer* The Committee appointed on account of Giles House Define the matter to be Refer'd, which matter is Refer'd to next mo meeting and then they to make report

*P. D. Smith Testimony read* The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the Testimonies against David and Tho<sup>s</sup> Smith as order'd

This meeting Collected £ 10 0 00 old tenor

This meeting Adjourns to the Last first in this month after the meeting of worships

*9 mo 1774* This meeting meet according to Adjournment of 28<sup>th</sup> mo 1774 the Representatives being called both Present

*Clement Biddle marriage* The friends Appointed to see Clement Biddle & Rebecca Cornell marriage consumated, Report that said marriage was consumated orderly Except the young woman Appearing with her bonet on in time of marriage, which appears that she did it Inadvertantly therefore friends Advise for the future on such Occasions women take off their bonets

*manumissions from S. R.* Joseph Russell hath freed his Negro men from the State of Slavery, Namely Quack and Pero, and their Manumissions hath been Read in this meeting & Accepted

*Tim Russel is paid* The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Timothy Russell five Dollars for haping the meeting house half a year is order'd

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto and approv'd & sent with the Epistle, which was sign'd in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting, and our friend Treborn Rider was Recommended as a member of Quarterly meeting of ministers & Elders

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*money sent for the 9<sup>th</sup> mo* The Treasurer is order'd to hand three Dollars to the Representatives to the Quarterly for the yearly Stock and Report next meeting

*Representatives to Q. Meeting* Our friends Thomas Hicks Borsillia Tucker Wm Barker Wm An<sup>r</sup> are appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistle with the Answers to the Queries and make report next meeting

*th 10 mo 1774* At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1774 the Representatives or Joseph Barker & Prince Allen both present

*Wm Russell case refer* The matter Respecting Wm Russell is Refer'd to next mo meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make Report

*Barker Little case refer* One of the Committee appointed on account of Barker Little Report that they had had an opportunity with him and Define the matter Refer'd therefore D. matter is Refer'd untill next mo meeting under their care and then they to make Report

*Testimony E. F. & P. R.* Prince Allen & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks hath answer'd their appointment signed against Ephrem Frings & Paul Russell which were sign'd by the Clerk and D. Clerk is order'd to read D. Testimonies at the close of a first Days meeting at some convenient time after the time of appeal is out & then make Report

*Gideon Gifford paper accepted* The Committee appointed on account of Gideon Gifford Report that they have so much Satisfaction as they are willing to Receive his paper Therefore this meeting Conclude to accept D. paper which is as followeth

*G. Gifford paper* To the Preparative & Monthly meeting of friends Whences I have Married out of the Unity of friends & there in break the good order Established among them, which break of Disorder I am sorrow for and do condemn the same and Desire friends so far to pass by mine offence as to let me Remain under their care from your friend  
Dartmouth 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1774  
Gideon Gifford



*P. Sloum case refer*  
The Committee appointed in the affair of Peleg Sloum, made a Report therefore the matter Respecting Peleg Sloum's freeing his Negroes is Refr. untill next monthly meeting and as the case of the same friends as heretofore & Joseph Tucker & Abraham Tucker is aded to them and they to Report to next monthly meeting

*M. C & E. F. Denid*  
The women Inform that they have signed papers of Dechiel against Mary Connal & Elisabeth Tucker which this meeting Approvesth of & the Clerk hath signed P. papers also

*M. W. Danid*  
Whereas Micajah Wood hath been under Dealing for marring out of the Unity of friends, and the matter been under the Consideration of a Committee for a long time, and they Report that said Woods Conduct hath been Disagreeable in Reporting a scandalous story about Edlieth Smith wife of Humphrey Smith of D. and not Inclining to Condemn the same to friends Satisfaction therefore we hereby Disown him the said Wood from being a member of our Society and Berj. Pider & Prince Allen are appointed to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next me meeting also to shew him a Copy of this minute and Inform of his Right of appeal and make Report to next monthly meeting

*P. Sloum case refer*  
The Committee appointed on account of Elias Sloum desire the matter Refrid which is Refr. under the same friends. Come as heretofore unto next monthly meeting & then they to make Report  
*money made by Treasurers*  
The Treasury Reports that he hath paid the money to the Representatives as order, last monthly meeting

*Return from 2<sup>d</sup> meeting*  
The Representative Report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting, also we Received an Epistle from D. meeting with an Printed one from Philidelphia which were Read & kindly accept

*D. Shepherd 3<sup>rd</sup> de Feb a Certif.*  
David Shepherd jr<sup>r</sup> Requests a few lines to the mo meeting Copying his Coarness Reporting marriage and conversation & Caleb Pugsell & John Williams are appointed for that purpose & they to Report to next me meeting Likewise Elisha Sloum Requests one of the like to of me meeting of Coakst & Prince Allen & Thos. Hicks are appointed to take the necessary care on that account & Report next monthly meeting  
This meeting Collected £. 9. 5. Old Tenor

*Testimony against David Smith should have been heard in page 293*

Whereas David Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having long made Profession with us & been a member of our monthly meeting of Dartmouth, But for want of watchfulness, and Giving way to a Contentious mind, has so far Deviated from our Profession as to Publicly Report that some of the Overseers of our meeting were fals men, to the Defaming of them, And friends having Labourd with him in much Love in order to Retraitt & Condemn the same and Restore him to unity with his Brethren again, But he Refusing to Comply therewith therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of such a Contentious Person this meeting is concerned to Give this forth as a Publick Testimony Against him, And hereby Disown him the said David Smith from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance he shall be Restord to the way of truth  
Given forth at our D. me meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of 9<sup>th</sup> month - 1774  
Signed in and on behalf of D. meeting by W. Anthony jr<sup>r</sup> Clerk

*Testimony against T. Smith should have been heard in page 295*

Whereas Thomas Smith son of David Smith had his Education among friends & disregarding the testimony of truth so far as to Publicly Declare that Daniel Connel was a fals man & hadoult prove it, and he hath failed of his Assertion, And friends having Repeatedly Labourd with him in love in order to restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from the Reproach of such practices this meeting is concerned to Give this forth against him & do hereby Publicly Disown him the D. Thos Smith from being one Society and from under the care of friends Nevertheless desiring if it be Agreeable with Divine pleasure that he may yet be Restord from the Lovd of his way & by unspined Repentance Return to the way of truth  
Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of 3<sup>rd</sup> me 1774 And signed in & on behalf of D. meeting by W. Anthony jr<sup>r</sup> Clerk



At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1774  
the Representatives are Jonathan Hays & Nathl Hays both Deacons

The matter respecting William Russell is referred to next mo  
meeting under the care of the same friends as heretofore and then  
they to make Report

Some of the Committee that had the care of that matter reporting  
Barker Little Report that they had fully Discharged themselves  
on that account therefore the matter is still referred to next mo  
meeting under their care & then they to make Report

Deleg Hlocum hath signed & Delivered to this meeting two  
Bills of Manumission one for a Negro man named Cator & one  
for a Negro man named London which this meeting accepts

This meeting hath signed a Testimony against Micajah  
Wood and the Clerk is ordered to read the paper at the close of a  
first Days meeting for Worship at some convenient time before  
next monthly meeting & then make Report. Testimony is  
as followeth

Whereas Micajah Wood hath had his Education amongst  
friends and Disregarding the testimony of truth so far as  
to marry out from amongst friends and also Reporting a  
scandalous story about Edleth Smith wife of Humphry Smith  
all which friends having Laboured with him in love in order  
to Restore him to the way of truth, but our Labour of love  
not having its Desired Effect to friends Satisfaction there  
fore for theearing of truth and friends from the approach  
of such Practices this meeting is concerned to give this forth  
against him the said Micajah Wood and do hereby Publicly  
Disown him from being one of our Society and from under  
the care of friends. Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable  
with Divine Pleasure that he yet may be Restored from  
the evil of his ways and by unfeigned Repentance Return  
to the way of Truth

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1774 and signed in  
and on behalf of D. meeting by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Wm Russell  
case refer

Barker  
Little  
case refer

manumission  
from D. S  
Received

Testimony  
against  
M. Wood

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We appoint our friends Prince Allan Joseph Gifford and  
Caleb Russell to inform a & the Negroes Manumitted by friends  
belonging to this meeting that they are set at liberty and  
advise with them as they think proper

The Committee appointed on that affair of Giles Slown Deacon  
that matter referd one month longer as they are not fully ready  
to make Report therefore D. matter is referd to next mo meeting  
under their care & then they to make Report

This meeting hath signed a Certificate for David Shepherd Jr  
to y monthly meeting of Smithfield Certifying his Carnes Refus-  
ing marriage also one of the like kind for Eliza Slown to the  
monthly meeting of Acasjet

This meeting hath signed a Renoval Certificate for Seddic  
Allen his wife and Children to the Monthly meeting of y Divine  
Portners, Likewise one for Isaac Sandford & Children to y meeting  
and likewise one for Benja Russell his wife & Children to y  
mo-meeting Likewise one for Stephen Smith & Children to y  
meeting

The year being Expired of the Service of the Overseers Likewise  
the Overseers of y Door yet the same are still continued in that  
Service till next monthly meeting and the choice of y Overseers  
is referd to next mo meeting

This meeting concludes that all our meetings for worship only  
begin at  
12 hour  
So until the monthly meeting in the fourth month next And then  
all our meetings to begin at the Eleventh hour untill our  
yearly meeting in the fall

The Overseers Inform that Caleb Green, and Joshua Sherman  
hath nomid out of the unity of friends and that D. name  
Green hath nomid his first cup and the Overseers having  
Labourd with them for the same altho they were not  
previoudly cautiond to Desist and they Decline  
to Comend their Transgression therefore will be referd  
to next monthly meeting

manumitted  
Negroes  
informd

Showns  
case  
referd

D. Shepherd  
Certificate

F. A  
Certificate

meetings  
begin at  
12 hour

C. Green &  
and Joshua  
Sherman



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The Overseers Inform that Isaac Smith hath married out of the Unity of friends and he having been Incautioned to Assist. Therefore we do Disown him the said Isaac Smith Denied from being in membership & from under the Care of this meeting  
This meeting Collected - - - - - L 5 " 1 " 00 " 00

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 12 mo 1774  
The Representatives are Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks & Borsillia Tucker both present  
Our friends William Mosher Thomas Hicks Benjamin Howland and James Davis William Anthony jr are appointed Overseers for the year ensuing and John Willson and Prince Allen is Nominated and Deput to Consider of the matter one month

Our friends Joseph Barker Gideon Howland Abraham Howland Caleb Russell Borsillia Tucker David Shephard Philip Allen Benjamin Rider are Appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing.

The Women friends Inform that they have Received Elizabeth Briggs a member of our Society which we Comur with  
The matter Respecting Mrs Russell is Referr'd to next meeting under the Care of Samuel Smith & Prince Allen and then they to make Report

This meeting hath Concluded to accept of Barker Lillesand Wifes paper Provided they Comur w<sup>th</sup> paper to be Read publicly at the End of a first days meeting for Worship and Return said paper to next meeting

The Clerk reports that he hath Read Micajah Woods papers  
This meeting Collected - - - - - L 9 " 14 " 00  
The Treasurer is orderd to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars for half years paying the meeting house  
This meeting Adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> this Instant

12 mo

Overseers appointed

Overseers of poor

E. B. admitted a member

D. Little paper accepted

M. Wood paper Read

order on Treasurer

This meeting meet by Adjournment of 29<sup>th</sup> this mo 1774  
the Representatives being Called Borsillia Tucker present and Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks sent his Excuse for not being here which this meeting Accepts

The Committee appointed on account of Giles Hocum made Report to this meeting which Report this meeting being not willing to accept by Reason the matter is not fully settled therefore the same Committee is still Continued and hereby empower them to settle the whole affair in behalf of this meeting and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Matter Concerning Caleb Greene and Joshua Sherman jr being Referr'd Last monthly meeting to this meeting therefore we appoint our friends John Williams Caleb Russell and Benjamin Rider to Labour further with them and make Report to next monthly meeting Likewise to Inform Isaac Smith of his Denial and his right of appeal and Report to next monthly meeting

David Russell Desires a Removal Certificate to the monthly meetings of Coakvet and William Mosher and Borsillia Tucker are appointed to take the Necessary Land on that account and Draw one for him if they think proper and bring to next monthly meeting

This meeting Consider it Necessary that there be an Inspection into the Title of our meeting house Land but this meeting being small therefore the Chusing a Committee on that account is Referr'd to next monthly meeting

This meeting being Inform'd that John Wood hath been found in the Approachful End of Joining with others in Stealing of watermillions from John Shephard also in Gatherin with a tumultuous Company by way of Riot very unbecoming the truth Likewise he is Published out of the Unity of friends and likewise the Overseers inform that William Haden hath also been Confide in Stealing said Shephards watermillion all which matters said Overseers hath Labour with them for and we appoint our friends Caleb Russell Prince Allen Borsillia Tucker to Labour further with them on these accounts and Report next meeting

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1774

Case of Giles Hocum continue

Case of Caleb Greene and Joshua Sherman

D. Russell Requests Certificate

on Title of meeting house Lands

J. Wood under Dealing

W. Haden under Dealing



1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in D<sup>artmouth</sup> of 16<sup>th</sup> mo 1775  
the Representatives are Jonathan Hapby and John Williams present

Prince Allen  
John Wms  
over/see  
Prince Allen and John Williams, not being fully willing to be appointed Overseers at present therefore they are still Defer'd to consider of the matter one month longer and then they to make Report

W.R. paper accepted  
This meeting accepts of Williams Russell's paper, the Committee on that account on that account that avoid making somewhat a Satisfactory Report concerning him

B Little's paper not read  
Barker Little and wives paper not being Read by Reason of Disappointment therefore the matter is Refer'd and he is Defer'd to Cause D. paper to be read as order'd before and Return it to next meeting

Tim. Anst. is paid  
Timothy Russell Informs that the Treasury has paid him the money as order'd Last mo meeting

Giles Slocum case refer'd  
The matter Respecting Giles Slocum is Refer'd to next mo meeting under the Care of the same Committee as heretofore by their Request and then they to make Report

Caleb Green & Shearman case refer'd  
The Committee appointed on account of Caleb Green and Joseph Shearman Define the matter Refer'd which is Refer'd to next mo meeting and Caleb Russell is Dismiss'd from that Service by Reason of being nigh in kind & Benj. Taber is aded in his Room and they to make Report next mo meeting

D. Russell  
C. G. G. sign  
Removal Certificates for friends David Russell & his wife to Acobst monthly meeting were sign'd at this meeting

J. H. & M. A. B. A. refer  
Jonathan Howland and Mary Allen Declard their Intentions of marriage and were Defer'd to wait till next monthly for their answer and Joseph Barker & William Anthony jr are appointed to Inquire into the young mens Comings Respecting marriage & Conversation and make Report to next monthly meeting

our friends Prince Allen Wm Anthony jr Samuel Smith  
Bassilia Tucker are appointed to Inspect into the Title of our

month 1775

Committee to inspect the title of meeting Law  
meeting house land and where they find any defect to mend and strengthen the same as they may think best and make Report when they have Accomplish'd the same

Report from last meeting  
The Representative Report that they all attended the Quarterly meeting According to appointment & have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read & kindly Accepted

John Wood & Wm Gladen case refer'd  
The matters Respecting John Wood and Wm Gladen are Refer'd to next monthly meeting on the account the Committee have not had opportunity to fulfill their Appointment therefore they are Continued in that Service & to make Report to next mo meeting  
This meeting Collected it is no old tenor which is sent to the treasury by Benjamin Smith jr

The following paper of Richard Deekham should have been Read in page 278

Testimony against R. Deekham  
Whereas Richard Deekham a member of this meeting, hath for want of Adhearing to the measure of Light and Grace in his own Heart, so far Deviated from the good order Established amongst us as to fall into the Sin of fornication as appears by his wives having a Child soon after marriage and likewise hath married his first Cousin the which he Declares to Consent to friends Satisfaction, and after our Labour of love we think we are clear do discern the S<sup>d</sup> Richard Deekham from being a member of our Society, untill it may please God to shew him his Error and by an unfeigned repentance he may Return, is our hearty Desire, Given forth at our monthly meeting held in D<sup>artmouth</sup> — 17<sup>th</sup> Day of the first month — 1774 —  
Signed in and on behalf of sd meeting by  
William Anthony jr Clerk

2 mo 1775  
John Wms  
Over/see  
B Little  
paper read  
At a Monthly Meeting held in D<sup>artmouth</sup> of 20<sup>th</sup> mo 1775  
the Representatives are Jonathan Hapby & Bassilia Tucker present  
John Williams is appointed Overseer in order to join the Right in that Service — This meeting is Inform'd that Barker Little and wives paper hath been read as order'd & Return'd to this meeting and is as followeth



The monthly Meeting of friends to be holden at Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1775

B. Little  
and wife  
paper

Friends whereas we through the Information of the Adversary have fallen into the gross sin of fornication and brought a great scandal upon our Profession for which we are sorry for and do condemn. Hoping God will forgive us and friends to forgo by this Offense with all other our offenses as to lett us still remain under their Care

Brother Little  
Elizabeth Little

Case of  
Caleb Green  
& Sherman  
in Smith

The Committee appointed on account of Caleb Green & Joshua Sherman jr & Isaac Smith Report that they Informed Smith as orderd and that Caleb Green gave them some Satisfaction and P. Green & wife gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning their misconduct they likewise Report in regard to Joshua Sherman that they had an opportunity of Confession with him and he gave them no Satisfaction and this meeting Couled to Refer the matters Respecting green & P. Sherman under the Care of Benjamin, John Williams & Benj<sup>n</sup> Rider and they to make Report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Enquire into the Cleareness of Jonathan Howland Report that they have made Inquiry and find nothing so material as to hinder his Proceeding

Jonathan Howland and Mary Allen appeared for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next meeting advising with the Overseers we shall appoint for that purpose and Joseph Barker & Wm Anthony jr to see their marriage Confess in good order & make Report next monthly meeting

J. H. &  
M. A.  
Received  
their  
Answer

Thomas Mott and Rhoda Hathaway Declard their Intention of taking each other in Marriage & were Defid to wait untill next monthly meeting for their Answer and William Wood & Barillia Tucker are appointed to Enquire into P. Mott's Cleareness in regard to marriage & Conversation & make Report next monthly meeting

T. M. &  
R. H.  
Subscribed

The friends Appointed to Labour with John Wood and Wm Haden Report they have not fully Discharged themselves in that matter and Desire it to be Referd which is Resolvd to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report

J. Davis  
Requests  
Certificate

James Davis Desires a Certificate Signifying his Cleareness Respecting marriage & Conversation to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield therefore David Sheehor and Benjamin Taber are Appointed to take the Necessary Care on that account and bring one to next monthly meeting if they find him Clear

David Hart  
gave in a  
paper

David Hart hath given in a Paper to this meeting Concerning his marrying out of the Unity of friends, and we Appoint Joseph Tucker William Mosher & William Wood to take an Opportunity of Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and Report to next monthly meeting

Charles Rufell  
Case

The Committee appointed some months past on Account of Charles Rufell Report that he gave them no Satisfaction and that P. Rufell is about to marry out of the Unity of friends and Samuel Smith & Prine Allen are Appointed to Draught a Testimony against P. Rufell and bring it to next meeting also to Inform him of his Right of an Appeal

money paid  
to the Treasury

Caleb Rufell Reports that he hath Recid. by way of Subscription as orderd some months past the sum of Eight pounds Eleven Shillings & four pence Lawfull money and paid into the Treasury This meeting collected 10<sup>0</sup> 10<sup>0</sup> 4<sup>0</sup> old tenor which is sent to the Treasury by Prine Allen

order on Treasury

The Treasury is orderd to pay Benjamin Allen his Demand on the meeting also those that have Demand for Repairing the meeting house and make Report next meeting

J. Hays  
Requests a  
Certificate

Jonathan Hays Desires a Removal Certificate for him self his Wife & Children to the monthly meeting of Newington and we appoint William Sandford Wm Anthony jr and John Potter to take the Necessary Care on that account and bring one to next meeting if they think proper



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1775  
adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the first Day of next month

This meeting meet by Adjournment of 5 Day: June 1775  
the Representatives are Jonathan Hussey and Bessilia Tucker  
present

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against  
Paul Ruppelle & Ephrim Tripp as ordered some months past  
and Return'd said Testimonies to this meeting

William Barker and William Sandford are Appointed to have  
the Oversight of the Burjng Ground in the Room of Jonathan  
Hussey who is about to Remove from hence, and they to Join  
with Abraham Tucker & Joseph Tucker in that Service

The Treasury is orderd to pay Benjamin Smith Jr his bill  
against this meeting which was Inspected and Allow'd some  
time past and Report to next monthly meeting

Whereas Paul Ruppelle Son of Paul Ruppelle having had his  
Education among friends and Disregarding the Testimony of  
of Truth so far as to be found in some abusive behaviour  
with Roger Mosher in the Night, and Likewise in  
Reporting with a Rude Company at Prime Dollers horse  
ate which plainly Appears by his own confession and  
friends having Repeatedly with him in Love in order to  
Restore him to the way of Truth but our Labour of Love not  
having the Desir'd Effect to friends Satisfaction therefore for  
the Clearing of Truth and friends from the Reproach of such  
practices this meeting is concern'd to give this forth against him  
and do hereby publicly Disown him the said Paul Ruppelle from  
being one of our Society and from under the Care of friends  
yet Nevertheless Desiring if it be agreeable with Divine  
pleasure that he may yet be Restor'd from the Evil of his ways  
and by Unsign'd Repentance Return to the way of Truth  
Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 9<sup>th</sup> July  
1774  
and signed in Don behalf of meeting by

Wm Anthony Junr Clerk

Wm Barker  
Wm Sandford  
overseers  
of Burjng  
ground

Order on  
Treasury

Testimony  
against  
P. Ruppelle

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Testimony  
against  
E. Tripp

Whereas Ephrim Tripp Son of Wm Tripp, Having had  
his Education amongst friends and Disregarding the  
Testimony of Truth so far as to be found in some abusive  
behaviour with Roger Mosher in the Night Season and  
Likewise in Reporting with a Rude Company at Prime  
Dollers house all which appear by his own Confession, and  
friends having Repeated Laboured with him in Love  
in order to Restore him to the way of Truth, but our Labour  
of Love not having the Desir'd Effect to friends Satisfaction  
therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from the  
Reproach of such Practices this meeting is concern'd to give  
this forth against him & do hereby Publickly Disown him  
the said Ephrim Tripp from being one of our Society and  
from under the Care of friends yet Nevertheless Desiring  
if it be agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he may yet  
be Restor'd from the Evil of his ways and by unsign'd  
Return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of 10<sup>mo</sup> 1774 and signed in Don behalf of meeting by

William Anthony Junr Clerk

Bill for keeping  
Alice Smith

The Overseers of the Poor hath handed in a bill from  
Benjamin Smith Jr for keeping Alice Smith to the amount  
of 4 11 6 8 Lawfull money which is Accepted

Care of James  
Howland's  
request

Caleb Ruppelle & Seth Ruppelle are Appointed in the room  
of Jonathan Hussey to Join Bessilia Tucker in having  
Care of that matter Respecting James Howland's who  
Requested to Come among friends and make Report  
when Ready

Content Tucker  
Received

the women Inform that they have minuted Content Tucker  
under their Care which this meeting Approoveth



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Jonathan Huxsey Jr & Content Tucker Declared their Intention of marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and William Sandford and John Potter are Appointed to see into the young mans Cleanes respecting marriage and Conversation and Report to next meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> mo 1775  
The Representatives are Benja Howland and Samuel Smith proposed

The Committee appointed on Account of Calob Green & Sophia Sherman are Desired them matters Reford as they have not fully Discharged themselves on those Accounts therefore the matter is Reford under their care of the same Committee and Wm Naylor & Barzillia Tucker are aded to them in that Service and they to make Report next meeting

The matter Respecting Giles Sloum not being fully settled to friends Satisfaction therefore the matter is Reford under the care of the same Committee as heretofore and they to make Report to next monthly meeting

One of the friends Appointed to see the Marriage of Jonathan Howland & Mary Allen Confomated Report that he attended the marriage and saw nothing but what it was Confomated in a Degree Orderly the other friend hath Rendered a Reasonable Excuse for his non Attendance

The friends Appointed to Inspect into the Cleanes of Tho: Mott Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that they find nothing to hinder his Proceeding in marriage

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The friends appointed to Inquire into Jonathan Huxsey Jr Cleanes make the like Report that they find nothing to hinder

Thomas Mott and Rhoda Hathaway, and Jonathan Huxsey Jr & Content Tucker Appeared for their Answer, which was that Each couple might Proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time between this & the next monthly meeting Advising with the Overseers this meeting shall Apoint for that purpose and Adam Gifford & Barzillia Tucker are Appointed to see the marriage of Tho: Mott & Rhoda Hathaway, Solemnized orderly, and Wm Sandford and John Potter are Appointed for the same Service with the other couple and all to make Report next meeting

The matters Respecting John Wood and William Haden are Reford to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before, and they to make Report next monthly meeting

A Certificate was signed at this meeting for James Davis to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield Signifying his Cleanes in regard to Marriage and Conversation

This meeting hath signed and sent to the Quarterly meeting of Ministers and Elders a minitue Recommending Gideon Rider as a minister and member of the select meeting

The friends appointed to have the Oversight of the meeting at Bedford Report that they have Generally attended the meeting and that it was held and Conducted in a Good Degree orderly and that they think it might be Advantageous to Continue the same and the friends Living there do Generally Request it to be Continued one year longer which is granted accordingly and they to hold two meetings the first on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month then one meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> day and one on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the week and the meeting to begin on the 10<sup>th</sup> hour and on the 13<sup>th</sup> hour on the first day & at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour on the 15<sup>th</sup> day



and our friends David Shepherd James Davis and Caleb  
Russell are appointed to have the Oversight of D. meeting &  
and to make Report at the Expiration thereof

This meeting Collected L. N. 118 old tenors

godson

This meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of  
worship

3<sup>mo</sup>  
mett  
1775

This meeting being meet by Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of June 1775  
the Representatives are Benjamin Howland & Samuel Smith present

David Hart  
case referd

Two of the friends Appointed on account of David Hart Report  
that he gave them some Satisfaction, yet they Desire the matter  
Referd, which is also Referd under their care and they to make  
Report next monthly meeting

Treasurer  
report

The Treasury Reports that he hath not paid all the money as  
orderd Last monthly meeting therefore he is still Desir'd to  
accomplish that business and make Report to next meeting

Testimony  
against  
C. Russell  
signed

This meeting hath signed a Testimony against Charles Russell  
and the Clerk is orderd to Read D. Testimony at the Close of a first  
D. Report Days meeting for worship before next mo meeting and then make  
Report

D. Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Charles Russell having had his Education among friends but  
this, Unwatchfulness and Surveging the Testimony of truth in his own  
heart hath so far departed therefrom as to be found Guilty of the heinous  
sin of fornication and also hath manied out of the unity of of friends  
and we having timely Labored with him in Love in order for his recovery  
but friends Laborn not having the Desir'd Effect to friends Satisfaction  
therefore for the clearing of truth this meeting is coverd up for the  
maintaining of our Christian Testimony and the preservation of the  
Professors thereof from the Approach of such enormous crimes  
Do hereby Publicly Divorce him the D. Charles Russell from  
being a member of our Religious Community and from under our  
the Care of this meeting Untill by Unfeigned Repentance he shall  
Return to the way of truth & find many with the Lord  
Guanforth & Sign in D on behalf of our meeting held in Dartmouth  
by Adjournment 29<sup>th</sup> of June 1775 by Wm Anthony jr Clerk

answers  
Epistle and  
Representative  
to D. meeting

The Queries have been Read and Answerd in this meeting and an  
Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Read and Sign'd. Sent with  
answer to D. Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are  
Caleb Russell Corsillia Tucker James Davis, John Williams Wm.  
Mogher Wm Barker & Wm Anthony jr who are appointed to attend  
the Quarterly meeting and make Return next mo meeting

adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the 7<sup>th</sup> Day of next month

mett

This meeting being meet by Adjournment of 7<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1775  
the Representatives are Benj. Howland & Samuel Smith present

Job Howland hath Exhibited a Complaint against Wm Wood  
wherein he Requests W Wood to Leave an affair to men substi-  
sing between him & W Wood and the Overseers Inform that they  
have had them together and Advise W Wood to submit D. matter  
to men but he Declines the same and this meeting being  
therefore the Chusing a Committee is Referd to next mo meeting

J. Hussey  
Certificate  
signed

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate to the ne  
meeting at the Ninescutters for our friend Jonathan Hussey and  
Hap Liboh his wife and Sylvenia & Rachel their children and  
their Granddaughter Elisabeth Hussey

Jonathan Hussey  
request a  
Certificate

Jonathan Hussey Jr Requests a Removal Certificate to D. meeting  
and Wm Sandford & Wm Anthony Jr are Appointed to Drive  
one for him if they on Inquiring shall think proper and bring  
it to next mo meeting

4<sup>mo</sup>  
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No Representa-  
tives from preparatory  
meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 17<sup>th</sup> of Apr 1775  
There not appearing any Representatives from the preparatory  
meeting the Reason Alledged being the Severity of the  
weather that day that there was no meeting held, yet this  
meeting conclude to go forward as usual, yet fear the  
Colder and want of true Zeal for the Cause of Truth  
was too much the Primary Cause of the afore D. Neglect

Caleb Green  
& Sherman  
case referd

The Committee that had the Care of those matters Respect-  
ing Caleb Green and Joshua Sherman jr Report that  
they have Received some Satisfaction yet this meeting



meeting thinks proper to Refer P. matter under the Care of the same Committee and they to make Report to next mo. meeting

C. Hocum paper Accepted

This meeting Conclude to Accept of Giles Hocums paper Condemning his falling into the Sin of Fornication with Ruth Russell provided he cause a paper to be Publicly Read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship before next monthly he being present and Report to next monthly meeting and return P. paper and Prince Allen is appointed to serve P. Hocum with a Copy of this minute

Said paper is as followeth

To the Superiors Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth Whereas I have gave way to the Enfranchisement of the aduery so far as to be guilty of the sin of fornication with Ruth Russell Whose by she charged me of being father of her bastard child which Reproachful sin I am Worry for & do hereby begging forgiveness from the Almighty and that friends may be jobb'd by mine offence as to let me Remain under their care from your friend  
Dartmouth 16. of Decr 1774 Giles Hocum

The Matt J. Husbey marriage

The friends appointed to see Tho. Mott and Rhody Hathaway and Jonathan Husbey jr and Content Tucker marriages confirmed all made Report that they attended P. marriages and said nothing but that they were Confirmed orderly

John Wood Wm Haden case refer

The Committee Appointed on account of John Wood and William Haden Desire them matters Ref'd which is Ref'd which is Ref'd under the Care of the same Committee and they to make to next monthly meeting

Frederic report

The Treasurer Reports he hath not paid the money as orderd Last monthly meeting Therefore he is yet Continued to pay P. money as orderd and make Report next monthly meeting

C. Russell Johnson

She Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against Charles Russell as orderd

Return from the Quarterly meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting being Caled upon Report that four of them Attended but Ches Russell & James Davis did not attend the whole of P. meeting but rendered a reason therefor which was Accepted and they have Produced an Epistle from P. Quarterly meeting which hath read and well Accepted

Case of Wm Wood

The Appointing a Committee at the Last Adjournment on that affair of William Wood being Omitted by reason of the smallness of the meeting therefore we now Appoint our friends Adam Gifford Benj. Sloum Benje Chase Philip Allen to Labour with Wm Wood to submit P. matter to men Agreeable to our Discipline

J. H. jr Participate signed

This meeting signed a Removal Certificate for Jonathan Husbey jr and Content his wife to the monthly meeting of the Vineporters

Report Wm Smith case

The Committee Appointed some time past to Labour with Wm Smith Report as followeth - We the subscribers being Appointed some time past to Labour with Wm Smith for taking too much spiritous Liquor Soon after which Appointment he Removed up the Country Nevertheless two of us had an Opportunity to speak with him on that Account and Labour with him according to our Ability, but receiv'd no satisfaction and after a long time of Trial we are Inform'd by Credible Information and undoubted Evidence that he yet continues in the same practice of taking spiritous Liquor therefore we think best that he be Dehid'd by friends - from your friends  
Philip Trifford  
Samuel Smith  
John Potter  
Dated the 7th of Decr 1775

W. Smith Denid

Which is Accepted therefore this meeting Doth Disown the said Smith from under the Care of friends and Samuel Smith is appointed to Draw a testimony against him and bring it to next mo. meeting also to serve him with a Copy of this minute

Geminah Davis Certificate

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Geminah Davis to the monthly meeting at the Oblong  
This meeting Collected - 28-8-5 - at tenno



To Revise Correct & record meetings minutes

This Meeting appoints William Anthony & Samuel Smith Thomas Hicks Barzilla Tucker to Revise correct and Record this meetings minutes and also to settle accounts with the Treasurers and make Report next monthly meeting

5<sup>th</sup> mo 1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 5<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1775 the Representatives are Caleb Russell & Nicholas Howland present

Care of C Green & Sherman refer

The Committee that had the care of the matter Respecting Caleb Green and Joshua Sherman have made report which is somewhat Satisfactory yet they not being present said matters are Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the same friends and then they to make Report

Good paper adopted

Report that been made that Giles Slocum's paper hath been read and Returned to this meeting as order

D. H. paper adopted

The Committee that has the Care of that matter Respecting David Hart, made Report that was so Satisfactory to this meeting that we Conclude to Accept D. Harts paper as Satisfactory

Wm Wood care refer

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Wm Wood Report that said wood Still Declines to leave Controversy to men yet by his request the matter is Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further Confederation and then he to make report

J. N. and Wm Maden matter refer

The Committee that were appointed in the Case Respecting John Wood and Wm Maden Report that they have been in a Progress but have not fully Completed the same to their Satisfaction & Desire it continued which is continued Accordingly under the same friends care as before and they to make Report when they shall accomplish the matter

Wm Smith paper

A Testimony against Wm Smith was signed in this meeting by the Clerk and he is order'd to read it Publickly as usual & make Report to next monthly meeting which is followeth

Wm Smith denial

Whereas William Smith son of Jonathan Smith & Phoebe his wife Late of Dartmouth, but now a Resident in East Hooksett in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having been Educated and made profession with friends but hath so far Departed therefrom as frequently to fall into the Reproachful Evil of taking too much Spiritous Liquor to his own the Prejudice of his family, and a Reproach to that holy profession and name that he hath pretended to make Profession of and friends having from time to time in Love Labour with him for his Recovery in hopes he would Refrain from a practice so Obviously Destructive to man kind, but friends Labour of Love not Obtaining the Desired End but he continuing therein therefore for the clearing of truth and the testimony we bear from such Reproachful Evils this meeting is Convinced to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him and do hereby Disown him the said William Smith from being a member of our Society untill by Repentance and Reformation he shall Return from the Error of his way and be Restored to the way of Truth

Given forth & signed in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 5<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1775 by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Committee to correct minutes

The friends to Revise correct & Record this meetings minutes Report that they have Revised & Corrected the minutes and left them with William Anthony Jr to Record, but they Report they have not settled with the Treasurers by Reason some Subscriptions that are gone out & not made up & Completed and Wm Anthony Jr and Prince Allen are appointed to settle with said Treasurers and make Report next monthly meeting

To settle with Treasurers

Ruben Smith care

One of the friends appointed some time past to Labour with Ruben Smith being Removed from hence, this meeting appoints Abraham Howland to join Prince Allen in that matter and to make Report next monthly meeting



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I Howland  
Recor  
under frid  
Case  
The Committee appointed some time past on account of James Howland's Request to come under friends made Report to this meeting that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore we accept of said Howland to be under the care of this meeting

Obidiah Allen Requests a Removal Certificate for him self his wife and children to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners and we appoint Thos Stuke & Philip Allen to join the women and take the necessary Care if they think proper

This meeting Collected - £9 10 0 old tenner

Removal Certificates for Rhoda Allen & Meribah Arnold Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners we signed in this meeting

6 mo  
1775  
A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 6 mo 1775  
The Representatives are William Hooper & Samuel Smith both pres

James Howland and Meribah Shepherd Declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were Desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer, and Seth Russell & John Williams are appointed to Inquire into the young mens Claims Respecting marriage and consanguinity & make Report to next monthly meeting

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Joshua Sherman's made Report to this meeting which was so satisfactory as we conclude to accept of said Sherman's paper for Satisfaction but Caleb Green not being present by reason of his being unwell therefore that matter Respecting Caleb Green is refer'd to next monthly meeting under the same friends care as heretofore & then they to make Report

William Wood made no Report to this meeting wheather he would submit that matter to men Suspecting between himself and Job Howland, or not therefore the matter is refer'd under the Care of Adam Pifford Philip Allen Bay's & Benja Bay's & Joseph Pifford and they to Labour with said Wood to leave it matter to men & make Report to next meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath read the testimony against Wm Smith as ordered

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The women Inform that they Received a Removal Certificate in behalf of Sarah Storum from the monthly meeting of Coakbutt

A Removal Certificate on behalf of Obidiah Allen his Wife and Children Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners was signed in this meeting

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Rubin Smith made Report that he gave them no Satisfaction for his misconduct therefore we do Disown him the said Rubin Smith from being under our care and Abraham Howland is appointed to Reprimand him of his Denial and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Treasurer Reports that the Committee Appointed some time past to Rais money by way of Subscription have rais'd and paid to the Treasury the sum of £17 10 2 Lawfull money

The Committee Appointed to Settle with the Treasurer made the following Report which is Accepted

We the Subscribers having Settled accounts with the Treasurer according to Appointment as followeth  
The money Collected and into the Treasury by order of the monthly meeting Since the 16<sup>th</sup> of June 1774 amounts to in Lawfull money  
Treasurer paid out

33 16 0  
24 15 11  
9 0 1

Remains in the Stock  
Dartmouth of 17<sup>th</sup> of June 1775 for Prince Allen  
Wm Anthony 93

We are Informed that Joseph Trafford is Included into the war or militia and been Labour'd with by one of the overseers and not Retracting therefrom and for the clearing of truth we do Disown him from being under our care and we appoint Abraham Howland and Benja Howland and to Isaac Abid Trafford with a copy of this minute when they have and Opportunity, & the Clerk is ordered to Read this minute Publicly as usual & Report to next meeting

Mr Trafford  
Disown'd

money  
rais'd

Settlement  
with  
Treasurer

matter  
between  
J: H and  
Wm W

Wm W  
darning



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The women Inform that they have Disowned Rebeckah  
Russell wife of Sethrow Russell, and Mary King wife of  
Giles King which this meeting concurs with

The Queries were read in this meeting and Answers thereto  
which were approved and sent by our Representatives to the  
Quarterly meeting with our Epistle to D meeting which was  
signed by the Clerk and sent by our Representatives who are  
Thomas Hake Samuel Smith Benj. Howland & Caleb Russell  
William Anthony & Basillia Tucker

This meeting Collected ————— £ 10 - 2 - 3 old

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell 5 Dollars  
for half years keeping the meeting house

7<sup>th</sup> At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 1775  
1775 the Representatives are Wm. Haker & Benja. Smith & present

The friends appointed to Inquire into James Howland's Connex  
Respecting marriage & Conversation Report that they dont find  
nothing to hinder their proceeding

James Howland & Meribah Shepherd appeared at  
this meeting for their answer which was that they might  
proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient  
time before next monthly meeting Advizing with the  
Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose  
and Caleb Russell and Beth Russell and appointed for  
that purpose to see their marriage consummated orderly  
and make Report next mo meeting

Order of  
Treasurer

J. H. & M. S.  
had their  
answer

7 month  
1775

C. G. Quins  
paper

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
Caleb Green made Report which was so Satisfactory to  
this meeting that we conclude to accept of it Green Quins  
paper provided they Cause said paper to be publicly read  
at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship they being  
prop'd before next monthly meeting and then Resolv'd  
said paper & Report of its being read

J. H. & W. W.  
matter Respect

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respect  
ing William Wood Report that said wood hath consented  
to Submit the Controversy Subsisting between him self  
and Job Howland to med. and the same Committee are  
Continued to see that it be Completed

Abraham Howland Reports that he Inform'd Rubin  
Smith of his Denial as order'd

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting made  
Report that they all attended and have brought an Epistle  
from said meeting with Divers transcripts (viz) one from  
the Last yearly meeting of Rhode Island, one from the yearly  
meeting in London one from the yearly meeting in Philadelphia  
one from the yearly meeting at Newbury & all Vmbrs of  
Printed Epistles from London all which were read in this  
meeting and the Salutary Advice therein, is Recommended  
to Each Individuals Observation and notice

It is Recommended in D Quarterly meeting Epistle  
that the Queries be Answer'd by & in the Open proportioned  
meeting for the future, its also Recommended for this  
meeting to raise the Sum of five pounds ten Shillings Law  
full money to supply our yearly meeting Treasury, and  
Convey it to the Treasurer of D meeting as soon as may be  
which this meeting complies with

advic'd of  
Queries be  
answer'd in  
D meeting

Treasurer report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Timothy Russell  
five Dollars as order'd. S. Treasurer also Reporteth that  
he hath paid Benja. Smith 10 ten pounds Eight Shilling  
Lawfull money for the keeping Alice Smith which this  
meeting approveth



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Thomas Hicks is appointed to take in Subscriptions for  
Barkley Apology agreeable to the Directions of the Quarterly  
meeting  
This meeting Collected — L 5 80 5

8 mo  
1775 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 27<sup>th</sup> mo 1775  
the Representatives are William Mosher & Benj Howland 2<sup>d</sup>  
both present

Shubel  
Bunker  
Certificate  
Shubel Bunker Brought a Certificate from the mo meeting  
of Nantucket Certifying his having a Birth right of membership  
there & Cleaness Respecting marriage

J. B  
& L. G  
publish'd  
Shubel Bunker and Lydia Gardner Declard their Intentions  
of taking Each other in marriage and were Desir'd to wait  
till the next monthly meeting for their Answer

James  
Howland  
marriage  
The friends appointed to see James Howland & Lydia Gardner  
in marriage  
confirm'd Report that they attended said marriage and  
saw nothing but that it was confirm'd orderly

Caleb Green  
paper read  
Report hath been made of Caleb Green & Wives paper being  
read and return'd to this meeting an order is given to be  
in page 394

Committee  
to raise  
money  
We appoint our friends William Bunker Gideon Howland  
Giles Stocum Josac Howland 2<sup>d</sup> & John Allen to raise money  
by way of Subscription to supply our yearly meeting stock  
and the money into the treasury and make Report of their  
Doings with the sum total to next mo meeting

This meeting Collected — L 8 4 7 old tenors

It had  
a Certificate  
to London  
Certificate  
for John  
Williams  
This meeting sign'd a Certificate in favour of J<sup>h</sup> Howland  
& friends in London also one in favour of John  
Williams to friends in the westward provinces as they  
were about to goe there on account of business

9 mo  
1775

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the  
18<sup>th</sup> mo of 1775

Shubel Bunker  
answer

The Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Bunker & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks both present  
Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner appear'd for their answer  
which was that they might proceed to take each other in  
marriage before next monthly meeting advising with the  
Overseers that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose  
and Seth Russell & W<sup>m</sup> Bunker are appointed to see their  
marriage confirm'd orderly and make to next meeting

Money Rais'd

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to raise  
money by way of Subscription Report that they have rais'd  
and paid into the treasury the sum of Eight pounds three  
Shillings & four pence Lawfull money and the Treasurer is  
in order to pay into the treasury of our yearly meeting  
the sum of five pounds ten Shillings Lawfull money &  
Report to next mo meeting

Money order  
to J<sup>h</sup> Allen

The Overseers Inform that Jedediah Allen hath  
married out of the Unity of friends, They likewise  
Inform that they disown'd him therefore this meeting  
doth disown him the said Jedediah Allen from under  
our care, and Prine Allen is appointed to Inform him of  
his Dehal and Report next monthly meeting

J. Allen  
Disown'd

Jonathan Russell Gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning  
his Reporting & Experiencing with a Company of men in  
the military order which is Refer'd to next meeting

Committee  
to raise  
of  
Land  
round  
of meet. house

Friends Conclude it best to fence our Land round our  
and we appoint our friends W<sup>m</sup> Bunker Vard and J<sup>h</sup> Thomas  
Hicks W<sup>m</sup> Anthony per Timothy Russell Benj Pider and  
Caleb Russell Elephap Smith & Samuel Smith to fence  
together and Cause a Land to be fenced when and  
after what manner they shall think proper



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*D Russell*  
*Disown* The Women Inform that they have Denied Patience  
Russell wife of Stephen Russell which this meeting  
Concurs with

*H. Hicks*  
*Received* They also Inform that they have nominated Hannah Hicks  
Under their Care which this meeting Concurs with

*Anna Wing*  
*Certificate* We Likewise Sign'd a Certificate to the meeting of  
Revoc'd for Anna Wing wife of Jonathan Wing

This meeting Collected - £8 17 10 old tenon

*meeting*  
*adjourns* This meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Septent after the meeting  
for worship

*met* This meeting met by Adjournment of 27<sup>th</sup> the mo 1775 -  
the Representatives being Cal'd both present

The Queries were Read in this meeting and Answers  
thereto prepar'd and Likewise an Epistle Sign'd by the  
Cark and order'd forward to the Quarterly meeting by

*Representi*  
*to of Dear*  
*and mee* our Representatives who are Joseph Tucker Thomas  
Hicks Caleb Russell Wm Mosher Wm Anthony jr and  
William Sandford to attend the Quarterly meeting and they  
to make Report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 16<sup>th</sup> of 10 mo 1775

The Representatives are Wm Mosher & Thos Hicks present  
Samuel Smith Chosen Cark for this time

*Shubel*  
*Barker*  
*marriage* Wm Barker & Seth Russell Reports they attended the  
the marriage of Shubel Bunker & Lydia Gardner  
which was accomplished orderly

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*Report of*  
*Treasurer* The Treasurer Reports he hath not paid the money  
to the yearly meetings Treasurer therefore he is now order'd  
to pay the same with two pounds Lawfull money more  
which is now aded by the Quarterly meeting, and make  
Report next mo meeting

*Isidiah Allen*  
*not inform of*  
*his denial* Prince Allen Reports he hath not Inform'd Isidiah Allen  
of his Denial as order'd

*J. Russell*  
*paper*  
*accepted* This meeting Doth accept of Jonathan Russells paper  
Condemning his Exercising with the militia, for <sup>his</sup> ~~his~~ <sup>own</sup> ~~own~~ <sup>sin</sup> ~~sin~~

*Return*  
*from of L.*  
*meeting* The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Reports  
they all attended Agreeable to Appointment and have  
Producd an Epistle from the Land which was Read & well  
Accepted

*Epistles*  
*Received* Two Printed Epistles from the Last yearly meeting of our  
friends in London were read in this meeting and the  
Salutory, Distant & Necessary Advice therein contain'd  
kindly Accepted and Recommended to Each members

*J. Wood*  
*under*  
*Dealing* The Overseers Inform that Isiah Wood hath been in the  
Practic of fixing up and mending Guns for the Use of war  
and that they Labour with him therefor but he still  
persisteth therein therefore Joseph Barker Abraham Howland  
and Samuel Smith and Benj<sup>r</sup> ~~husband~~ <sup>husband</sup> Pider are  
appointed to Labour further with him and make Report  
next monthly meeting

*meetings*  
*to begin at*  
*11<sup>th</sup> hour* This meeting Concludes that all our meetings for worship  
on by Except at Bedford begin at the 12 hour & all the  
other meetings at the 11 hour and this to Continue till  
the next meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> month next



O: Beard Obediah Beard hath Produced a Certificate from the  
Remo- monthly meeting at Sautucket, Informing us that he had  
from Nantuketa a Bis thright among them when he Remo-ved from them  
which is accepted

Removal Certificates for Deborah Davis wife of James  
and J. Shephard Davis, And Sarah Shephard wife David Shephard from  
Certificates the monthly meeting at Smithfield was Read in this meeting  
and accepted

F. N. Our friend Jacobson Rider Inform us of her Intention  
going to going to Nantucket Quarterly meeting which this meeting  
Sandwich taking into Consideration Causes with and havellanty  
with her thosin and the Clerk is orderd to Give her a  
Copy hereof

The women Inform they have Denied Comfort Castle  
C. C. wife of Danial Castle which this meeting concurs with  
Disown. this meeting Collected - £4 11 8 - Old Tenor

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the  
20<sup>th</sup> of June 1775

the Representatives are William Borker and Joseph Borker  
both present

Abraham Allen and Thebe Kirby Declard their Intention  
of taking Each other in maniage and were Dyf-  
publ. to waid till next monthly meeting for their unafies  
and Prine Allen and Tho Hicks have appointed to Inquire  
into the young mans Cleamep Resp-ctim marriage<sup>ing</sup> and  
and make report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money  
Report into the yearly meeting treasury as orderd therefore he is  
Continued to pay it as soon as he can conveniently and  
Report next meeting

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Joseph  
Wood Report that they have Labourd with him and Before the  
Refer. matter Referd therefore said matter is Referd to next meeting  
under the Care of the same friends as heretofore and then they  
to make Report

The women Inform that they have Disownd Sarah Wilcox  
Disownd wife of William Wilcox which this meeting concurs with

Job Anthony hath Returnd a Removal Certificate for him-  
self and Homely which was Given out from this meeting  
the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1761 which was Directed to the next  
Returnd meeting of Rhodyffland. And not Deliverd but now Returnd  
he ad ag-<sup>ed</sup> And now he Living in the Com-p- of of Cookst  
meeting which was then apart of this meeting therefore the  
Clerk is orderd to transmit a Copy hereof to the Cookst meeting

Benjamin Smith jr<sup>r</sup> hath brought a bill to this meeting  
Dis- a bill given in for keeping Alline Smith as p- Agreement with the Overseers  
of the poor to the amount of £4 11 7 1/2 Lawfull money  
which this meeting approveth and the Treasurer is orderd to  
pay said bill as soon as he can with and make Report to  
this meeting

The Overseers Inform that James Cornal hath married  
out of the Unity of friends and was timely precautioned  
by the Overseers therefore friends Apprehending they are Clear  
Disown. and do hereby Disown the said James Cornal from being  
under our care and Barnabus Maffer is appointed to Inform  
him thereof and make Report to next meeting

This meeting Collected £4 11 12 1/2 Old Tenor  
friends Concluds to Repair the meeting house Stable  
and Tho Hicks and William Anthony p- to see it completed  
and make Report next meeting

To repair  
meeting house  
Stable



At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 7<sup>th</sup> of 1775  
the Representatives are Caleb Russell and Samuel Smith

The friends appointed to Inquire into Abraham Allen's joining  
and Conversation Respecting marriage Report that they have  
taken the necessary care and find nothing to hinder their  
proceeding

A. A. & P. H.  
had their answer

Abraham Allen and Phoebe Kirby appear for their answer  
which was that they might proceed to take each other in  
marriage in some convenient time before next meeting  
advising with the Overseers that this meeting shall appoint  
for that purpose and James Allen and Thomas Hicks are appointed  
to see a marriage consummated orderly and make next meeting

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath not paid the money into the  
yearly meeting treasury therefore he is desired to pay said  
money as soon as he conveniently can and Report to next meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid £ 11 14 0 to Benja  
Smith as ordered last monthly meeting

Stable Repair

The friends appointed appointed to Repair the meeting house  
Stable Report that it is completed

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
Sephiah Wood Report that notwithstanding their repeated  
Labour with him he still continues in the same practice  
of mending & Repairing guns for the use of war which is

J. W. matter Refer

Inconsistent with the profession we make therefore this meeting  
doth conclude to Disown him if he doth not immediately desist  
therefrom and the same Committee are still continued  
to Inform him hereby and Draw a paper of Denial against  
him if he do not comply with the judgment of this meeting  
and they to make Report next meeting

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Barnabas Mosher Reports that he hath informed James Comal  
of his Denial as ordered

A. D. and David Sande testified as

Our well esteemed friends Aaron Vail and David Sande were  
at this meeting with their certificates from the monthly meeting  
of the Nine Partners Dated the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1775 whose Vigil  
Testimon and Labour of Love was kindly Accepted among us

Representatives to next meeting

The Queries were Answered and an Epistle signed in this  
meeting and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our  
Representatives who are Thomas Hicks Wm Mosher David  
Tucker Samuel Smith Abraham Howland & Wm Barker and  
they to make Report next meeting

Order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars  
for keeping the meeting house half a year and make Report  
next meeting

This meeting collected £ 2 00 old tenor

1<sup>mo</sup> 1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> of 1776  
the Representatives are Benj. Howland and Joseph Tucker  
both Present

A. Allen married

one of the friends appointed to see Abraham Allen and  
Phoebe Kirby marriage consummated made Report that he  
attended said marriage and saw nothing but what it was  
consummated orderly & the other friend tendered a reasonable  
Excuse for his not attending a marriage

Report of Treasurer

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the money as ordered  
into the yearly meeting Treasury

J. W. matter Refer

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
Sephiah Wood Report that he gave them encouragement of  
desisting from mending guns for the use of Sages therefore  
the matter is Refered under the care of the same



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1776

Same Committee as heretofore and they to Inform D. Wood that tis the mind of this meeting that he ought to Condema his past misconduct in that matter and Prince Allen is addd to sd committee and they to Report to next monthly meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attend agreeable to appointment and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read to Satisfaction and therein Inform that Smithfield monthly meeting hath been at the Expence of £294<sup>11</sup> 6<sup>11</sup> Lawfull money in building a meeting house which is Recommended for Contribution as they in their freedom shall see fitt

The Treasure Reports he hath paid Timothy Respell five Dollars as orderd

We are Informd from the Preparative meeting that Benjamin Howland of D<sup>r</sup> hath been Aiding or Assisting with a company of men in taking away goods from friends and others and hath been Labourd with by the Overseers and not condemning it to friends Satisfaction therefore we appoint our friend Joseph Barker Samuel Smith to Labour further with him and Report to next meeting

Benjamin Howland Reports he hath Served Joseph Trapp with a Copy of his Denial Agreeable to Appointment

there was a Certificate signd in this meeting for our Travelling friends Aaron Vail & David Sandv to the next meeting

this meeting collected £ 16<sup>7</sup> 9 old tenors

Benjamin Howland  
Reports of  
denial  
Certificate  
friends  
of the  
Nine partners

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 19<sup>th</sup> June 1776 the Representatives are John Potter & Gideon Howland both preside John Ricketson and Sarah Morell Declard their Intention of taking each other in marriage and were Defind to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and Thomas Hicks and Philip Allen are appointed to Inquire into said Ricketsons cleareness Respecting marriage and conversation and make Report next monthly meeting

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Joseph Wood Report that they have Dischargd their trust in that matter & D. Wood gave in a paper to this meeting as follows

John Williams appeard in this meeting and Confessd that he some time past Inconsiderately fixd and sold some strops for the use of Solder in Coring their wearlike stoves but giving uneasy therein Defind for supplying them in any such matters altho D. Williams verily Condemnd his misconduct therein which this meeting acceptd for Satisfaction

The Committee that had the Care of that matter Respecting Benja Howland of D<sup>r</sup> Reports that they have made some progress in that matter and D. Howland gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning D. misconduct but friend not Resolving full Satisfaction

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1776

J. R. and  
Sarah M.  
publish.

Joseph Wood  
gave in a paper

J. Williams  
Confession

Ben Howland  
Case referd



2<sup>nd</sup> month  
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Satisfaction on account of D. Howland: not going to the  
prisons from which the guns was taken, therefore the matter  
is Ref'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same  
Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report.

We are Informed by the Overseers that Elijah Sandford  
hath married his first Coupa & out of the Unity of friends  
and been Labour'd with by D. Overseers & not Inclining to  
to condemn his misconduct in that matter therefore  
this meeting Concludes that for the Clearing of truth we  
& I can do no less than Disown him therefore we hereby Disown  
Disown the D. Elijah Sandford from under our care and the Clerk  
is order'd to read this minute at the Close of a first days  
meeting before next monthly meeting and then make report  
and William Barber is appointed to Inform D. Sandford of his  
Denial and report to next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform that Daniel Smith son of Humphrey  
hath been in the Practice of taking Spiritous Liquors  
to use also neglects attending meetings for which they  
D. Smith have Labour'd with him and he not Condemning it to  
under  
Dealing Satisfaction therefore we appoint John Potter and  
Abraham Howland to Labour further with him on that  
account and Report to next meeting

This meeting Collected --- L 6<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> at old  
Adjourn This meeting Adjourns to the 28<sup>th</sup> Instant  
Meeting met by Adjournment of 28<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1776

The Representatives are John Potter & Gideon Howland  
Present  
D. Sherman We are Informed by the Overseers from the preparative  
meeting that Benjamin Sherman hath been to a place  
of frolicking and measureably join'd with those that

month  
1776

that were therein very unbecoming a friend also neglects  
attending meeting & the Overseers having Labour'd with him  
and he not Condemning it to Satisfaction Likewise the  
Overseers Inform that Divers of our young friends hath  
been in the practice of going to places publick resort where  
very unbecoming Liberty is taken. Even of musick and  
dancing and other Leivious and unbecoming conduct to  
the Reproach of truth and a Grief to Solid friends. Some  
of which hath been Labour'd with by D. Overseers, and this  
meeting taking it into Consideration think proper that  
they be further Labour'd with, therefore do appoint Joseph  
Tucker and William Sandford Barzillia Tucker Samuel  
Smith Wm Barber Benjamin Rider for that purpose  
with the Assistance of the Overseers and make Report to  
next meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> mo  
1776

At a Monthly Meeting of friends held in Dartmouth  
the 28<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1776

The Representatives are William Maffer and Saml Smith present  
Notwithstanding Jephth Wood gave in a paper last  
monthly meeting Condemning his misconduct in mending  
guns, yet this meeting is Informed by part of the  
former Committee that had the care of that matter  
that he still continues in the practice of mending  
guns in this time of publick Commotion which we approve  
brings a Reproach upon friends therefore this meeting  
concludes that D. Wood Desist from mending <sup>or making</sup> any more  
guns at present and the former Committee is appointed  
to Inform D. Wood of the Conclusion of this meeting and  
D. Committee to Draw a paper of Denial against him  
if he Dont Immediately Desist, and bring it to next meeting

J. N. yet  
under  
Dealing

Ann Gifford  
Wrote a  
Copy of this  
minute

Ann Gifford Inform'd this meeting that she had thoughts  
of attending Sandwich Quarterly meeting and Desires  
our concurrence therein, and this meeting having Unity with  
her Intended to let she bring in unity with us and her



her Publick Testimony approv of among us and the  
Clark is order to give her a Copy of this minute

The Clark Reports that he hath read the minute against  
Elizabeth Sanford as orderd also W<sup>m</sup> Barker Reports that  
he Inform'd B. Sanford of his Denial as orderd

L. S. Leamuel Smith gave in a paper to this meeting Condempn  
his marrying out of the Unity of friend which this meeting  
accepts

This meeting Collected L 4 " 5 " 8 old tennon

adjoin'd this meeting adjourns to the Last fourth Day in this month  
after the meeting for worship which is to begin at 11 hours

next This meeting meet by Adjournment of 27<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1776  
the Representatives are W<sup>m</sup> Barker & Samuel Smith present

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
Daniel Smith Reports that they have Discharg'd their trust  
in that matter and find no Satisfaction therefore this meeting  
Apprehending we have Discharg'd our Duty towards him

D. Smith Do Disown the said Daniel Smith from under our care  
Disown and Abraham Howland & Gideon are appointed to Inform  
him of the Conclution of this meeting and Draw a testimony  
against him & bring it to next meeting

Case of The Committee that was appointed to join the Overseers in  
Benj Labouring with Benjamin Sherman & some of our young friend  
The Overseers for going to places of frolicking Report that they have  
not complet'd D. business therefore they are still continued  
in that Service & to make Report next meeting

Case of The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
Benja Howland's Report that that matter is not fully settl'd  
therefore D. matter is Refer'd to next meeting under their care  
and then they to make Report

The friends that were appointed to Inquire into John  
Ricketson; Cleares Respecting marriage Reports that  
they find nothing so material as to hinder their Proceed  
in marriage

9. It had John Ricketson and Sarah Morell appear for their  
his Answer answer which was that they might Proceed to take each  
other in marriage in some convenient time before next  
monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting  
appoints for that purpose and Thomas Hicks & W<sup>m</sup> Barker  
are appointed to see their marriage Conform'd orderly  
and make report next meeting

A former minute of this meeting made in 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1753  
Respecting Mary King was read in this meeting whereby  
It appears she had been Under Dealing and had not  
" Received her as a friend in full Unity but suspended  
the matter for some further Proof of her Sincerity"  
And this meeting taking the matter into Consideration  
do appoint William Anthony & Gideon Howland Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith  
to Inquire into her Life and Conversation where she hath  
Lived, for a further Proof of her Sincerity and make  
Report next meeting

M. King  
and  
Dealing

Henry Smith gave in a Paper to this meeting Condempn  
Some Expressions he made in his Pation to Odes, Boston  
which this meeting Accepts

H. Smith  
Confession

Thomas Hicks hath Exhibited a Complaint against  
Jonathan Ploum for Refusing or Neglecting to pay  
his Rate for the year 1768 therefore this meeting  
doth Appoint Benja Smith & Benja Ploum & George  
Smith to Enquire into the Reason of R. Ploum's Refusing  
to pay D. rate & Report next meeting

J. Ploum  
Complain  
of



G.H. & w. w. Confession

Gideon Howland the 2<sup>d</sup> with his wife Catherin Gave in a paper to the Preparative meeting Condemning their falling into the sin of fornication and marrying Nigh of kind. but by Reason of D paper being misplaced & not brought to the meeting the matter is Refer'd to next me meeting and the Clerk is order'd to Draw said paper to D meeting

The Queries were answer'd in this meeting and an Epistle sign'd for the Quarterly meeting and order'd forward to D quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Barzillai Tucker William Anthony & James Davis & they to make Report next me meeting

Repres. sent to D meeting

4<sup>th</sup> 1776

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1776

the Representatives are Caleb Russell & Joseph Barker present

Josiah Wood

The Committee Appointed to Labour with Josiah Wood Reports they have fulfilled their appointment therein and that he Refuses to Comply with the advice & Judgment of this meeting therefore the Clerk hath sign'd a paper of Denial against him

Daniel Smith

Also the Committee appointed on account of Daniel Smith Report they have fulfilled their appointment and have Draft'd a paper of Denial against him which was also sign'd by the Clerk and the Clerk is order'd to Read both the afore<sup>d</sup> papers Publickly, at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship and make Report next me meeting

Benev. sent to D meeting

The friends appoints to join the Deacons in Labouring with Benje Shearman & some young People for going to places of fornicating, Report that they have not fulfilled their appointment in that matter therefore they are still continued in that service and to Report next me meeting

G.H. & w. w. Confession

The Committee appointed on account of Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland Report that they have made some progress in that matter but finding things things not fully settled to friends Satisfaction therefore said matter is still continued under their Care and they to Report to next monthly meeting

J. Pickett

One of the friends Appointed to see the marriage of John Kicke and Sarah Moral Confomated Report that he attended said marriage and did not see but that it was Confomated in good order, the other friend Reports that he was Detain'd by sickness and did not attend D. marriage

Case Mary Wing refer'd

The Committee appointed on account of Mary Wing Reports that they have made some progress and this meeting thinks proper that they Inform D. Mary Wing of their appointment therefore D. matter is Refer'd under their Care one month longer and then they to make Report

Case of Jonathan Slown

The Committee appointed on Account of Jonathan Slown Reports that said Slown hath paid his Rate to Thos. Hicks and the the matter is settled

Return from of D meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended and have produced an Epistle from D. meeting which was read and well Accepted they Desire in said Epistle some Assistance towards Discharging the Charge of building the meeting house at Smithfield

Committed to raise money

therefore this meeting Appoints Caleb Russell Thos. Hicks Russell Thos. Mott Giles Slown & Wm. Barker to Draw Subscriptions & sign them in behalf of this meeting and Receive the money of Each member as they in their freedom shall see fit and Caleb Russell is order'd to pay the same to the said Smithfield meeting and they to make Report of the same to next me meeting



Gideon Howland and his wife gave in a paper to this meeting. Condemning their falling into the sin of fornication and marrying nigh in kind. Therefore we appoint Benjamin John Williams and Joseph Barker to join the women and take an opportunity of conference with them in order to Discover their sinarity in that matter and make Report next meeting

We appoint W<sup>m</sup> Anthony for Samuel Smith Gideon Howland and Thomas Hicks to Revise and correct the monthly meeting minutes in order to go on Record, also to settle Accounts with the Treasurer and make Report next monthly meeting

The Churhing Overseers is Refer'd to next monthly meeting and the former ones is Continued untill there be a new choice. Concluded that all our meetings Except at Bedford begin at the Eleventh hour untill the monthly meeting in the tenth month next

The Overseers Inform that Paley Gifford has been to a Dissipled meeting and undertook to imitate them in singing which we think very unbecoming one of our profession and tis the mind of this meeting that Paley Gifford ought to be publickly condemn'd for his conduct therefore we appoint Abraham Howland Benjamin Smith & Philip Allen to Labour with him on that account and make Report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer is order'd to pay Timothy Russell of L. m. to pay for hay which was Expended at our Quarterly meeting (last year)

The Committee appointed some time past to have the care of that matter Respecting Abraham Ricketson Report that they have had no satisfaction from Mr Ricketson therefore we hereby Disown the said Abraham Ricketson from under our care and Thos Hicks is appointed to Inform him thereof

This meeting Collected £ 3. 3. 0 of old tenon. The Treasurer reports that he paid Timothy Russell the above of 20 sh

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> day of 1776 The Representatives are Joseph Barker & Thos Hicks present George Handy and Mary Potter Declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were Desir'd to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and Samuel Smith and Abraham Howland are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Cleareness Respecting marriage and Conversation and Report to next monthly meeting

The Crossing of Overseers is Refer'd to next monthly meeting The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against Jeviah Wood and Daniel Smith as order'd. Said testimonies are as followeth

Whereas Jeviah Wood having made Profession with us, and under the care of this meeting, yet hath so far Departed from the Principle of Truth and the Testimony thereof, as to be found in the practice of minding or Repairing Guns, or fire arms (so called) for the use of war and friends having Labour'd with him Repeatedly in much Love in order to Discover to him the Evil thereof, and to Reclaim him there from, but friends Advice and Admonition not having the desired end he continuing in the said practice to the Dishonour of Truth and Grief of faithfull friends, therefore for the maintaining of our Testimony herein This meeting is Concern'd to Give this forth as a Publick Denial Against him, and so hereby disown him the said Jeviah Wood from being a member of our Society, and from the care of this meeting, Desiring nevertheless that he may Return from the Error of his way, and by an unfeign'd Repentance and Acknowledgement of the Evil thereof, Return to the way of Truth Given forth & sign'd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> day of 1776 by W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jr Clerk

Whereas Daniel Smith Son of Humphrey Smith of Dartmouth in the County of Bristol in the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, having been Educated and made Profession with friends, but hath so far Departed there from as to frequently take too much spiritous Liquors to the Dishonour of God and to the grief of his friends, and having attended meetings, and friends having Labour'd with him in much Love for his Recovery but our Labour not having the desired Effect therefore for the clearing of truth and the testimony we give against him, do hereby is Concern'd to give this forth as a Publick testimony against him, & do hereby disown him the said Daniel Smith from being a member of our Society, & do hereby by a Reformation he shall Return from the Error of his ways & be restored to the way of truth Given forth & sign'd in and by order of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> day of 1776 by W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jr Clerk



Benj Howland's case refer

The Committee appointed on account of Benjamin's Report that the matter is not fully settled therefore said matter is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore and then they to make Report

M. King's Disown

The Committee appointed on account of Mary King, Report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein and by Enquiry they do not find her life and Conversation hath Manifested a linear Repugnance in Respect to her Crimes for which she was under a Disallowance therefore this meeting concludes to disown her from being a member of our Society and the same Comtee are appointed to Draw up a paper against her and bring it to the next monthly meeting

A Case Received

The women Inform that Rachel Case wife of John Case is Received as a member among them they also Inform they Received a Nominal Certificate for Phoebe Beard Daughter of John Beard which is Accepted

Ben Sher's case

The Committee appointed to Labour with Benja Sherman Reports they have fulfilled their Appointment and he Acknowledges his Debt in not attending our meetings, but they do not find upon full Enquiry that he Joins with those in a frolic but happened there on the account of Business which Report is accepted

young people's case refer

The Committee appointed to Joine the overseers in Labouring with the young people Reports they have not gone through with a service that are therefore still continued in that service and to make Report next monthly meeting

Report on collecting money

The Committee appointed to Draw Subscriptions & Collect money for the use of Smithfield meeting Report they have made some Progress therein but not finished it they are Continued for that Service and to Report next monthly meeting

D. Gifford's case in a paper

Deley Gifford gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his misconduct which is referred to next mo meeting by reason the Committee appointed on that account are not fully satisfied and they are Continued in that Service and to Report next monthly meeting

C. Green's Paper accepted

Thos Huku Reports he hath Inform'd Abraham Kicket for Cabel Green hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his procuring the Printing of a small pamphlet on the subject of paying Taxes that was not Drawed by the yearly meeting's Committee for viewing manuscripts, which paper is accepted for Satisfaction

Daniel Wood Request a Certificate

Daniel Wood Requests a Removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of the Oblong, and this meeting appoints James Davis and Cabel Russell to Enquire into his Circumstances and draw one for him if they think proper and bring it to next meeting the Committee appointed to Confer with Gideon Howland in Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but the Receiving his paper is referred to next mo meeting under the care of the same Committee & then they to make report

Settlement with of trying

The Committee appointed to Revise & Correct this meeting's minutes, Report they have fulfilled their Appointment & also settled Accounts with the treasurer and there Remains in the Stock £6<sup>11</sup>/<sub>5</sub> Lawfull money

C. Russell Request

Charles Russell Gave in a paper to this meeting Condemning his falling into the sin of fornication (for which transaction he was Denied) and Requests to be Received again under friends care therefore this meeting appoints Prineaston & Benja Smith to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and to make Report next mo meeting

Report of meeting at Bedford

The friends Appointed to have the Oversight of the meeting at Bedford Report that a meeting hath been held & kept as orderly as usual and they still Request a meeting may be continued as heretofore untill the monthly meeting in the fourth month next year which is granted and Cabel Russell and Seth Russell & James Davis are Appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make Report at the Expiration thereof

B. Smith's bill

Benja Smith gave in a bill for doing for the poor to the amount of £6<sup>11</sup>/<sub>8</sub> Lawfull money which is accepted and the treasurer is ordered to payd money & Report next mo meeting

This meeting collected — £2<sup>11</sup>/<sub>11</sub> Old tenno

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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 14<sup>th</sup> the 6<sup>mo</sup> 1776. Thos Huku is appointed Clk for this day the Representatives are Wm Sandford & Nicholas Howland present This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after 4<sup>o</sup> of worshipp



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This meeting meet by Adjournment of 24: 6<sup>mo</sup> 1776  
The Representatives being called both Present  
The friends appointed to inquire into George Hardy's (County)  
Respecting marriage and Conversation Report that they  
have taken the necessary care on that account and find  
nothing to hinder their Proceeding

*P. Hardy* George Hardy and Mary Potter appear for their answer  
Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in  
marriage in some convenient time before next monthly  
meeting Advising with the Overseers that this meeting  
shall appoint for that purpose, and Abraham Howland  
and Samuel Smith are appointed to see their marriage  
performed orderly and Report next mo meeting

*Overseers* Our friends Joseph Barker Thomas Hicks Wm Barker  
appointed James Davis & Wm Anthony <sup>jun</sup> are appointed Overseers  
for the year ensuing

*appointing* the appointing Overseers of the poor is refer'd to next  
*overseers* monthly meeting

*Benj* The Committee appointed on account of Benja Howland's  
*Howland's* case refer'd made somewhat a Satisfactory Report on that account  
yet the Receiving of Dr Howland's paper is refer'd to next  
monthly meeting under the care of the former Committee  
and Prince Allen & Wm Barker are added to them and they  
to Report next mo meeting

*Mary Wing* The Committee appointed on account of Mary Wing have  
*case refer'd* prepared a paper agreeable to Appointment, yet that matter  
is still continued to next monthly meeting under the care of  
the Committee

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*1776* Our Beloved friends David Davis and John Perry have  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* attended this meeting with their Certificates from the monthly  
*David* meeting of Wilmot in the County of New Castle on Delaware  
*Perry* Dated the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1776 - which were Read to Satisfaction  
and their Votet well Accepted

*17<sup>th</sup> of* Also our Beloved friends Phebe Yarnall and Rebecca Knight  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* were at this meeting with their Certificates, the former from  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* the monthly meeting held at Concord in Chester County Pennsylv  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* ania the 14<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1776 The Latter from the monthly  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* meeting held at Chesterfield the 12<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1776, which  
were Read to Satisfaction & their Votet kindly Accepted

*on account of* The Committee appointed to assist the Overseers in Labouring  
*young people* with some of the young People, Report they have made some  
further Progress therein and that they Believe it to be of  
Service therefore they are Continued to proceed further in that  
matter as they may find themselves Engaged therein and to make  
Report thereof to the next monthly meeting

*Lucius* The Queries have been Read and Answers thereto Read &  
*Answered* approved - This meeting is Informed that Thomas Allen  
(son of Francis) hath moved out of the Unity of Friends  
Notwithstanding his being previously cautioned to desist  
therefore this meeting doth Disown him the said Thomas Allen  
from being a member of our Religious Society & Benja Davis  
*F. Allen* is appointed to Inform said Allen of his Denial & Report next  
*Disowned* monthly meeting

This meeting Collected ----- £ 10 5 3 od levied

*Adjourn* This meeting Adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for  
3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> day

*17<sup>th</sup> of* This meeting meet by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>mo</sup> 1776  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* the Representatives both Present  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting  
*17<sup>th</sup> of* Deba Gifford's Report that they are Satisfied on that account  
but the Receiving of Gifford's paper is refer'd to next mo meeting  
G Reason he is not present



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A Removal Certificate of Daniel Wood Directed to the monthly meeting at the Oblong was signed in this meeting

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland <sup>and</sup> is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the former Committees who are then to make Report

A Removal Certificate Directed to the monthly meeting of the Nine Partners for Mary King wife of Giles King was signed in this meeting

The Committee Appointed to Confer with Charles Russell Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction but his not being present said matter is Referred to next meeting under the care of the Committee who are then to make Report

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid the money to Benjamin Smith <sup>as</sup> order last monthly meeting

The Treasurer is orderd to pay Timothy Russell five dollars for half year keeping the meeting house and Report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Collect money for the use of Smiths monthly meeting and pay to Caleb Russell for that purpose Report (Giles Howland) Excepted that they have collected and paid said Russell the sum of £ 7 " 3 " 7 Lawfull money

Whereas Amos Wilcox having a bithright among friends but we finding his Conduct & Conversation being very inconsistent with our Profession (viz) going to frollicks, bad language and not attending meetings, and he having been Labored with by the Overseers, but he continuing therein, and we appoint Benjamin Howland Prince Allen to Labor with him as they find freedom and Report next meeting

Care of Gid Howland is referred

M King Certificate wife of Giles

Chas Russell case referd

Treasurer report

money raised for Smiths

A Wilcox and on Dealing

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There was an Epistle signed in this meeting to the Quarterly meeting we appoint our friends Caleb Russell Thoma Hush Wm Anthony to attend the Quarterly meeting and present the Epistles and Answers to the Queries and Report next meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>mo</sup> 1776 The Representatives are Mr. Boker & Prince Allen present

The friends appointed to see George Handy and Mary Pollock marriage Condemned Report that they attended the marriage & saw nothing but that it was solemnized orderly

We appoint our friends Abraham Howland Prince Allen Philip Allen Joseph Tucher <sup>and</sup> Caleb Russell & Benj<sup>r</sup> Rider Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing

One of the Overseers Inform that Edward Taber is runned out of the Society of friends after being procecuted, Therefore we do Disown him the said Edward Taber from being one of our Society and John Williams is appointed to Inform him of his Disinial and Report to next monthly meeting

The matter Respecting Benjamin Howland <sup>is</sup> Referred to next meeting under the same friends care as heretofore then they to make Report

The Committee that was to Vise the Overseers in Laboring with some young People, Report they have not Complated & bying therefore they are still Continued & Prince Allen is added to them and they to Report next meeting

The matter Respecting Mary King is Referred to next meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore for further Conference

The matter Respecting Deley Gifford <sup>is</sup> Referred to next meeting under the care of the same Committee as heretofore they being not fully Satisfied and then they to make Report

Quarterly meeting

June 1776

George Handy marriage

Overseers of the Poor

E. Taber Disown

Care of Benjamin Howland is referred

Care of young people referd

Mary King case referd

Deley Gifford case referd



The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Charles Russell made a Satisfactory Report on that account they gave the people a paper to be read publicly at the close of a first days meeting he being present at first meeting & then Return'd paper & made report

The Treasurer Reports he paid Timothy Russell five Dollars as ordered last meeting

The Committee appointed to Labour with Amos Wilcox Report that they have not fulfilled their Appointment, by reason when they went to his place of abode he was not at home, therefore they are still continuing in that service & to make report next meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended & meeting and produced an Epistle from the same meeting was read and well accepted. Together with a Transcript of our last year's meeting Epistle together with a number of Epistles from the year's meeting & meeting of sufferings in London which said Epistles have been Reprinted and Distributed among most of friends families of his meeting for their perusal

This meeting appoints Jos: Hicks an Elder, and Refer the appointment to next meeting

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland 2<sup>d</sup> is Refer'd to next meeting by reason the women have not accepted his wives paper  
This meeting closes

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth on the 5<sup>th</sup> of 1776 the Reprerations on John Williams paper Benjamin 2<sup>d</sup> not present by reason of his attending a funeral

Benjamin Reports that he hath not Informed Edward Fisher of his denial as ordered therefore he is continued to complete D appointment next month's meeting  
Benjamin the Labor Reports that the note Informed Thomas Allen of his Denial as ordered

Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup> Reports that have made some progress but deny the matter therefore D matter is Refer'd under their care and they to Report to next month's meeting

Report from Quarterly meeting

T Hicks appointed Elder

Ed Howland 2<sup>d</sup> case refer'd

Edw Fisher not informed of denial

Ben Howland 3<sup>d</sup> case refer'd

Some of the Committee that was to join the Overseers in Labouring with some of the young People Report that they have made some progress and Desire D matter to be continued that for its continuance to next mo meeting & then they to make Report

This meeting signed a paper of Denial against Mary Wing and the Clerk is order'd to Read D paper at the close of a first days meeting before next mo meeting & then they to make report and Wm Barber is appointed to Inform her of her Denial & Report next meeting said paper is as follows

Whereas Mary Wing some years past was under dealing by this meeting (as appears by our Records) and altho she gave in a paper Condemning her Misconduct, yet the meeting did not receive her into full unity, but Suspend'd the matter for further Proof of her Sincerity. Now this meeting of late having made Enquiry into her conduct and conversation and likewise have had conference with her on that matter and do find a sufficient Proof of a sincere Repentance but Rather the contrary therefore this meeting doth deny her the said Mary Wing from being a member of our Religious Society, untill by a sincere Repentance and Return from the Evil of her ways to a sure taken thereof to the way of truth & well doing Sign in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 1776 by Wm Anthony Jr Clerk  
Susana Smith Clerk

The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Poley Gifford Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction therefore this meeting accepts of D paper for Satisfaction provide he cause D paper to be publicly Read at the close of a first days meeting he being present before next mo meeting & then Return D paper & make Report D paper is as follows

To the monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth on the 20<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>mo</sup> 1776 -- Dear friends being in a view of my misconduct when being at a meeting of another Society, in singing Hymns with them, which I am sorry for considering it was not according to the Constitutional principles of our Profession to do so Desiring friends and all others therein concerned to support it by that I may remain under the care of this meeting. is the Desire of your friend  
Poley Gifford  
Dartmouth 14<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>mo</sup> 1776

Mary Wing Denial

her paper of Denial

Report on Poley Gifford's case



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Charles Russell Report hath been made that Charles Russells paper hath not  
been read therefore he is Defor to accomplish the Reading id paper and  
and make report next me meeting

The matter Respecting Amos Willcox is Refor to next me meeting  
by the Request of the Committee and then they to make Report

The women Inform that they have Denis Mary Spooner wife to  
Simon Spooner

This meeting Collected 9 8 30

This meeting Adjourns to next Second Day at 8<sup>th</sup> hour

8<sup>mo</sup> Meet by Adjournment of 26<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>mo</sup> - 1776  
The Representatives being called both present

The matter Respecting Gideon Howland 1<sup>st</sup> is Refor to next me  
meeting by reason the women are not Ready to Receive his wifes paper  
the Choosing of Elders is Refor to next me meeting

Ann Gifford Signified to this meeting that she hath a mind  
to visit Sandwich monthly meeting and Defor our Concurrence  
therein, And we approving of her Intended visit she being a  
member of this meeting and her Publick Testimony well accepted  
among us And the Clerk is orderd to give her a Copy of this  
minute

This meeting is Inform that Richard Hathaway son of Caleb  
Hathaway hath enlisted & gone into the war very contrary to our  
A. Hath. profession therefore for the clearing of truth friends thinks proper to  
Disown him hereby Denying the said Richard Hathaway from our  
our care and John Williams is appointed to Inform him of his  
Denial when he an opportunity and Report to this meeting

It appears that David Chase hath been under Sealing for  
some time for marring out of the unity of friends And now part of the  
D. Chase Committee that had the care of that matter Report making a  
acknow: Lett factory Report on that account and friend conclusion to accept  
ledg. of his acknowledgement for satisfaction

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We are Inform that Abraham Smith hath been buying  
or fitting warlike Implements also paid money towards buying  
a fort and hath been Labourd with by friends and rather than  
to be so Conducted

Schwartz Eliza Gifford hath bin  
with a Military company in their barracks by way of training &  
hath been labourd with also, and not condemning it Conduct  
wherefore we appoint our friends Caleb Russell to inquire of  
William M. Gifford & Joseph Tucker to Labour further with  
Smith and Gifford and make Report next me meeting

There was a removal Certificate signd in this meeting to the  
monthly meeting of the Oblong for Job Cave & his Children

This meeting hath Collected a list of the names of all the  
Persons who have Latterly Removd within the bounds of the  
monthly meeting and enclosed the same in a letter  
Directed to D. me meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month  
the names of the persons in  
the names of the persons in  
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(Die) Jonathan Smith & Phoebe his wife Jonathan Huxey  
and Hezrebel his wife & Salsenus & Rachel their Children &  
their grandchild Elizabeth Huxey Jonathan Huxey junr Content his  
wife, Benj. Riddle and Anna his wife and Delina & John their  
Children, Stephen Smith and his Children namely Jonathan Linn  
and Hannah, Elizabeth Smith wife of Wm Smith & their  
Children namely Gideon Zadock, Edith Rebecca Catharine Caleb  
Noah ann & Elizabeth, David Anthony & Judith his wife &  
their Children namely Humphrey Sijana & Hannah; Humphrey  
and Edith his wife and their Children namely ann, Naomi  
abigail Mary Mager Humphrey & Polly, all the above at Hopk  
& their abouts, Zephaniah Anthony & Wait his wife and their  
Children namely Ise and Mary, Hannah Dargal, wife of  
Tho: Darnice, Lili's Bird wife of David Beard, Obadiah Allen  
& Phoebe his wife & their Children Ebenezer Jonathan & James Daniel  
his wife & their Children Tho: Virginia Benj: & John, Nathaniel Darnice & Abigail  
& John Allen & Mary Wang wife to Giles Wang, Thave to Sonatoga, Peter Cook  
& Tharabonto Dabit Cook, Jedediah Alend Darnice his wife & their Children  
Children Nath: Mollie Sarah Polina Wilson, Pamela & Rachel, Daniel Anderson  
Children Ogman Beckwith, Naomi Nelson wife to John Nelson at Hopk  
and Gideon Doudish who hath Removd to Sonatoga with heal. Requesting one  
or Informing friends thereof







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Samuel Smith is appointed to Draw a Testimony against them & bring to next meeting and Caleb Russell is appointed to Inform them thereof & Report next meeting

Complaint against Abrah Wood

We are Informed that Abraham Wood is in practice of fitting guns for the use of war, And friends having Labourd with him to Desist but he still continues therein.

Complaint against Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell

Also we are Informed that there is a Negro man held in a state of Slavery by Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell & are fitted having Labourd with them on that account therefore we appoint Benjamin Smith & Benjamin Howland and Joseph Tucker, Samuel Smith & William Sandford to Labour for their with them on that account likewise with Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell on that account & make Report next meeting

Representatives to 2 meeting

The Queries were Answerd in this meeting and an Epistle signed the Quarterly and orderd forward by our Representatives who are Joseph Tucker Samuel Smith Wm Barker and they to Report next meeting

Some

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21<sup>st</sup> July 1776 The Representatives are Wm Barker & Joseph Barker present this meeting accepts of Benjamin Howland's paper for settling his going in company with men that took away guns for the use of war, Provided he cause it paper to be Publicly read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship he being present before next meeting & then Return Report and Report of its being read

Ben Howland's paper read

Report hath been made of Gideon Howland & Lewis's paper being read as orderd & is Returnd to this meeting said paper is as follows

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To the Preparative and Monthly Meeting of pomeagett to be held the 13<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Days of the 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1776

Dear friends Whereas we through unworthyness have fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by our having a child so soon after marriage for which we are sorry Desiring the Lord may forgive us and friends permit us together with our marrying nearer in kin than is allowable among friends hoping for the future through Divine assistance we may be enabled to walk more Circumspect that friends would still continue under their care

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1776

Gideon Howland  
Catharine Howland

Case of labouring with youth Comd

The Committee appointed to Join the Overseer in Labouring with some of our youth Desire that matter Report therefor P. matter is Report to next meeting & then they to make Report

Raising money for yearly meeting

The Committee appointed to raise money for the yearly meeting Report P. matter to be continued therefore its Report to next meeting and then they to make Report

Ben Russell case referd

The Committee appointed to Labour with Elijah Russell Report that they have Inquird into P. matter as orderd and Labourd much with P. Russell to settle with Jonah Davis or leave the matter to men all which P. Russell Intirely Refuses to Comply with yet by the Request of Benjamin Smith it is Report one month longer under the Care of the same Committee and then they to make Report

Appointment of Elders

The Appointment of Elders is Report to next meeting Caleb Russell Reports that he Informed Abraham Smith and Elihu Gifford of their Denial as orderd And there was a testimony signd against P. Smith & Gifford & the Clerk is orderd to read said Testimonies Publicly as usual & Report next meeting



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To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth to be  
the 20 day of 2 month 1776

Whereas we have gone contrary to  
good order with friends in marrying near of kin, and  
Green among friends. And as we have offended in both these  
things which we are sorry for and do condemn  
as we are truly Desirous to remain under your care  
hope you can find it clear with your good and deliberate  
thought and tenderness towards us to pass by this fault  
Praying the Aflairs Director may so order our steps  
for the future in the paths of truth that henceforth we  
may justly be called your affectionate friends  
Caleb Jeeves  
I desire with you

The friends appointed to Labour with Isaac Howland 2nd and  
Joseph Cabell Sr & Abraham Wood, not having not having  
Completed the matter It is therefore Refer'd to next meeting  
and said friends continued for that service & then to make Report

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report they all  
attended P meeting and have Produced an Epistle from the  
said meeting which was read and well accepted

This meeting sign'd a Certificate for Abraham Allen to the  
monthly meeting of the nine partners, as he is a going to visit  
his friends within the compass of P meeting

Ben Smith gave in a bill for keeping Elze Smith  
to the amount of £36 11 8 old tenon which the Treasurer is  
order to pay & Report next meeting

This meeting Collected £5 11 4 as Lanfill money

Advising  
paper  
Caleb Jeeves  
Howland

Isaac Howland  
Joseph Cabell  
Abraham Wood

Return  
from it  
to meeting

Certificate  
for Allen

Ben Smith  
Bill

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 28<sup>th</sup> mo 1776

The Representation are Wm Barker & Wm Mosher Present  
Received a Certificate from Oakset monthly meeting relating to  
Samuel Howland (Cearney's Respecting marriage - -  
Samuel Howland & Mary Smith Declar'd their Intentions of  
marriage and were Desir'd to wait till next meeting for  
their Answer

Report hath been made of Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup> paper  
being read and in Return to this meeting P paper is as  
followeth  
Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> month 1776  
To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth  
Beloved friends

I hereby condemn my going in company with  
those that took Guns in order to be used in the military service  
with all my misconduct in that matter hoping thro' Divine  
Assistance to be preserved from the like behaviour in future  
and I desire friends so far to pass by this mine offence as to  
let me remain under their care freely acknowledging friends  
kindness extended towards me in this matter and much Desir-  
ing that for time to come I may so walk as to be justly called your  
beloved friend  
Benjamin Howland 3<sup>d</sup>

Most of the Committee Appointed to Join the Overseers in  
Labouring with some of our youth Report that altho they  
have not proceeded so fully as Intended yet they think it  
best that the matter be left with the Overseers and they  
Dismiss<sup>d</sup> which is Agreed to by this meeting and the Overseers  
are Desir'd to watch over the youth in a more particula  
manner and where any transgress to bring their names  
with their Respective Crimes to this meeting

Howland  
Certificate

Howland  
proposal of  
marriage

Howland 3<sup>d</sup>  
paper read

Howland  
paper

Labouring with  
youth, left to  
overseers



11 months  
1776

*Record* This meeting Received some Printed Epistles from the yearly meeting at Philadelphia which is Distributed among friends also one from the yearly meeting of Ministers & Elders, both which were Read & kindly accepted

This meeting Collected £-13-2 Lawfull money

*Adjourn* This meeting Adjourns to the 27 Instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at the 8<sup>th</sup> hour

*mett* This meeting met by Adjournment the 27 of the 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1776 the Representatives being called both present

*Raising money* The Committee appointed to raise money for the yearly purchase of Stock, not being Ready to make Report therefor the matter is Refer'd to next mo meeting and then they to Report

*Case of Elijah Russell* The Committee appointed to Labour with Elijah Russell Report that they have had a nother Opportunity with D. Russell (D. Smith present) and he Declines Submitting the matter to men agreeable to the Advice of D. Committee, therefore this meeting taking D. Smith into Consideration, it is our Sense & Judgment that he thereupon ought to settle the same with Sarah Davis before the next mo meeting or submit D. matter to men and that D. Committee are Desir'd to Inform him hereof & to make Report next mo meeting

*Choosing Elders* The Matter of Choosing Elders is Refer'd to next mo meeting  
*denial of to be read* Whereas the Testimony Against Abraham Smith & John Jefford that was brought & Read at last mo meeting not being sign'd, is an Omission of the Clerk he is therefore now order'd to sign the same & Read it as order'd before & make Report next mo meeting

*Case of Joseph Russell* The Committee Appointed to Labour with Isaac Howland and Joseph Russell & Abraham Wood Report that they have fulfill'd their appointment therein & said Wood Refuses to conform with friends Advice but continues to mend guns for the live of war therefore therefore this meeting doth Deny D. Wood from being a member our Society and D. Committee is order'd to Draw a Testimony against him & bring it to next mo meeting they

*also* Report that Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell have of late not fully Comply'd with friends Advice in regard to the Reg'ds the matter is therefore Refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of D. Committee and that they to make Report

Federick Allen gave in a paper Condemning his misconduct and Request to come under friends Care again, And we appoint Joseph Barker and Wm Barker to have an Opportunity of Conference with D. Allen in order to Discover the Sincerity and motives of his Request and Report next monthly meeting

Isaac Russell Gave in a Paper to this meeting Condemning his having a hand in buying some goods sold, private goods and being with those that sold such goods & Drinking with them, which this meeting Accepts, provided he Cause the same to be Publicly Read at the Close of a first Days meeting for worship (he being present) between this and next mo meeting and then return'd paper

The Committee appointed to fence the Land round the meeting house Report that they have Completed D. matter and Report the meeting house and brought in timber whis is - £504 14 L. money Exclusive of those that gave work

This meeting Conclude to build a Little house for the Use of friends near meeting house, And we appoint William Sandford to Conduct D. business as soon as he can with Convenience & bring in his account The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Joseph Smith Jr 36 - 5 - 0 & D. tenor as order'd

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 11<sup>th</sup> mo 1776 the Representatives are Isaac Sandford & Samuel Smith present Samuel Howland and Henry Smith appear for their Shippers which was that they might proceed to take each others moneys in their Consequence since before next monthly meeting a letter with the friends that shall be appointed for that purpose and we appoint Wm. Moxon and Joseph Jefford to see their moneys Computed in good order and make Report next mo meeting the Committee



The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Case of Elijah Russell Reports that C. Russell and David Davis hath both called matter of Controversy

There was a Testimony Against Abraham Woodbridge in this matter by the Clerk and he is ordered to read it Publickly at the Close of a Synod meeting for worship and make Report next meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting Isaac Howland & Joseph Russell, seeing his Negro Report that said friends have not complicated it matter there for the same Committee are still continued in that service & to make Report next meeting

The Committee that had the care of the matter Respecting Jedediah Allen, Requesting to come under friends Report that they have had an opportunity of conference with him and Received a Degree of Satisfaction therefore said Allen is Received under friends care

The Committee appointed to raise money by way of Subscription for the year ending Stock Report that they have Raised and paid into the Treasurer - £12 - 3 - 6 Lawfull Money - the Clerk Reports he hath read the testimony against Abraham Smith & Elisha Gifford as ordered Last meeting & papers as followeth

Whereas Abraham Smith & Elisha Gifford having made profession without under the care of this meeting, but have so far departed from the way of truth and the testimony thereof as to be found in joining with & measurably supporting a war or preparation for their arms particularly that P. Smith hath paid money towards the building a fort & also in fitting some war like implements - and they having been fondly Labourd with by friends to desist from & mend their conduct but our Labour therein not obtaining the desired effect, But they still persisting the same this meeting and preparations for the same do give this forth a testimony against them hereby disowning them the P. A. Smith & E. Gifford from being members of our church and from under the care of this meeting Untill by unfeigned Repentance they from the care of their way they shall be Restored to favour of our church and signed on behalf of our meeting held in Dartmouth 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1776 by

William Anthony Jr. Clerk

Caleb Russell hath caused his paper to be read as ordered and returned it as follows - To the Representatives and Monthly meetings of friends next to be held in Dartmouth

Dear friends Being under a sense of my error in having a concern or hand in those Goods (Elisha Prises Goods) so far as to assist in carrying or conveying some of them a small distance & being with them that sold such goods & drinking with them some wine & water, and having found myself much troubled therewith am really and heartily sorry for it not thinking it according to the principles of our profession to have any hand in such Goods. Desiring friends will pardon this by and that I may be more watchful for the future from your friend  
Dartmouth 12<sup>th</sup> of June 1776  
Caleb Russell

Caleb Russell and David Shephard gave in papers to this meeting condemning their Misconduct, the first in carrying of Prises Goods the latter for going as Pilot in a Prises vessel which this meeting accepts for Satisfaction

Also Giles Howum Elisha Howum Timothy Howland & David Fisher have appeared in this meeting and Verbally Confessed & Condemned their having been concerned in buying carting or conveying of prise Goods which this meeting also accepts for Satisfaction

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Russell five Dollars for half years keeping the meeting house and Report next meeting  
This meeting collected 17<sup>5</sup> - Lawfull money

This meeting adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of this Instant at 9<sup>th</sup> hour Meet by adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 1776  
The Representatives being called both present

The Church of Elders is referred to next meeting  
The Overseers Inform that David Shephard Briggs Jonathan Howland & David Allen Elizer Allen Jonathan Allen & Thos. Allen hath been taking prise goods



12 month 1776 and Joseph Russell has taken charge of such goods when bid of at Vandue & Wood & Thipt them again all which P. Profess Report they have Labour with them but they have not understand P. misconduct to friends Satisfaction therefore we appoint Wm Mosher Samuel Smith Philip Allen Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland & John Williams to labour further with the above friends and Report next monthly meeting

Querie Answered for the Quarterly meeting and orderd forward to all Quarterly meetings Representa by our Representatives who are Tho<sup>s</sup> Hiker Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland & Wm Anthony & Wm Mosher and they to Report next meeting

Paper of denial to demand against John Wood & Wm Maden The friends appointed some time past to Labour with John Wood and Wm Maden for their misconduct Report that they have fulfill their Appointment therein but they gave them no real Satisfaction therefore P. friends are appointed to Draw a paper of Denial against them & bring it to next meeting

A Paper for this meeting signed a certificate for our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Directed to the Commanding Officer of the Military Service Desiring their Leave for P. Representatives to pass on their way to P. Quarterly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> the 1<sup>st</sup> mo 1777 the Representatives are Princes Allen & Joseph Barber Present

The Committee appointed Last meeting to labour with those friends that purchasd prise goods Report that they labour with P. friends and Nicholas Lapham David Briggs Jonathan Howland gave in papers to this meeting Condemning P. misconduct which is accepted provided they sign a testimony against such proceedings according to the Conclusion of this meeting And this meeting concludes notwithstanding the minutes of Last meeting. That all those friends that hath condemn'd P. misconduct sign a testimony against such

Case of those concerned in prize goods

1777

Such proceedings to be publicly read as usual in order to take of the Report from the Society and said Committee orderd to Draw a testimony for that purpose and desired all those friends that have not transgrst as aforesaid to sign the same if they find freedom and bring to next meeting and said Committee is Desir'd to Draw up Testimonies against those friends that Decline making Satisfaction and bring to next meeting

Complaint against Ralph Allen We understand that Nathl Allen son of Benjamin Allen hath enlisted & gone on board of a Vessel of war which being contrary to our profession therefore we hereby disown the P. Ralph Allen son being under our care & the above Committee is Desir'd to Draw a testimony against him & bring to next meeting

Wm Russell son of Tim disown Likewise we understand that Wm Russell son of Timothy Russell hath enlisted into the war & cannot well be spoke with therefore we disown the P. Wm Russell from being under our care and the aforesaid Committee is orderd to Draw a testimony against P. Russell and bring it to next meeting

Certificate for Tho<sup>s</sup> Allen This meeting signd a Certificate for Tho<sup>s</sup> Allen to the next meeting of the Nine partners as he is a going there to visit his friends

This meeting Collected

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5 6 1  
£ money

This meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship which is to begin at 8<sup>th</sup> hour

Meal by Adjournment of 29<sup>th</sup> June 1777 - the Representative being called both before

Adjournment



1 month  
1777  
Samuel  
Howland  
marriage  
The friends appointed to see the Marriage of Samuel Howland  
and Mary Smith Report that they attended the marriage and  
saw nothing but that it was orderly accomplished  
The Clerk Reports that he hath read the Testimony against  
Abraham Wood as ordered Last meeting & paper is as follows

Testimony  
against  
Abraham Wood  
Whereas Abraham Wood the Son of Jephiah & Hannah Wood  
Having had his Education amongst friends, But by Departing from  
the Testimony of truth hath so far gone astray as to be found in the  
Practice of mending & repairing of guns and instruments of war  
and friends having Labour'd with him in love in order to reclaim  
him from a Practice so inconsistent with the Profession he hath  
made but he continuing in said Practice This meeting therefore  
doth give this forth as a Testimony against him hereby Dis-  
missing him the said Abraham Wood from being a Member of our  
Society untill by an Unfeigned Repentance & Acknowledgment of  
the Error of his way he shall be Restor'd to the way of Truth  
Given forth & sign'd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting of friends  
held in Dartmouth the 6<sup>th</sup> of June 1776 By

William Anthony Jr Clerk

Case of Span  
Howland  
refer  
The said Howland gave in a bill to this meeting Manumitting  
a Negro man named Primus but yet some friends Doubting  
whether or no Negro is fully freed therefore a matter is refer'd  
under the care of the same Committee as heretofore & they to  
Report next meeting

Treasurer  
report  
The Treasurer Reports that he paid 5 Dollars to Timothy Russell  
as ordered Last meeting

The Choosing of Elders is Refer'd to next meeting

Belong from  
2 meetings  
The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they  
all attended Except Benj<sup>r</sup> Howland who sent a Reasonable  
Excuse They also brought an Epistle from D. meeting which was  
Read and well Accepted

Treasurer  
report  
The Treasurer Reports that he hath sent the money that was rais'd  
to supply the yearly meeting Clerk according to the direction  
of the yearly meeting which this meeting approves

1 month  
1777  
The friends Appointed to draw a paper of Denial against John Wood  
and William Hayden have brought a paper which was sign'd by  
the Clerk who is ordered to read the same as usual & make Report  
next meeting Besides also Inform that they have Inform'd  
Wood & Hayden of their Denial

John Howland  
Clerk  
from London  
John Howland being Return'd from England hath Produc'd  
a Certificate from the two weeks meeting held in London the  
25<sup>th</sup> of Decr 1776 Certifying his Good Conversation while there  
and his Clearness from marriage Engagements which hath been  
Read & well Accepted

Joseph  
Lutheran Wood  
Barker  
Little  
parochial prize  
The Overseers Inform that Jos Gifford Lutheran Wood & Barker  
Little have Purchas'd Prize Goods, and they have Treated with  
them for their misconduct, and the matter is put under the  
Care of the same Com<sup>ty</sup> that were appointed to Deal with  
the others under the same Transgressions & to Report of them  
with the others

Case of W<sup>illiam</sup>  
Russell  
for  
This meeting having Reconsider'd the minute made at the  
first Seting of this meeting Respecting Wm Russell Son of  
Timothy Russell and do order the deaying of him untill  
a further Confirmation of his being enlisted into the war

money to be rais'd  
Joseph Gifford Philip Allen John Williams and Obadiah  
Beird are Appointed to raise money by Subscriptions to pay  
the Cost of fencing in our Land Round the meeting house and  
make Report next meeting

2 months  
1777  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the  
17<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>d</sup> mo 1777

The Representatives are Philip Allen & Joseph Barker Jr present  
The Testimonies against Joseph Russells for David Allen  
Essex Allen Jonathan Allen and Aba Allen were read  
in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to read the same  
Publicly as usual & report next meeting & that William  
Allen is appointed to Inform them of their Denial & Report next meeting



2 month  
1777

A Manumission was Read in this meeting, signed by John  
John Ashin  
manumitt  
Indian boy  
name Pashin  
which is accepted for satisfaction

The Committee appointed to Labour with those friends that  
were transgressors in being concerned with Prize goods  
brought Testimonies to this meeting signed by Barker, David  
David Trigg, Ebenezer Rowm, Jonathan Howland & Timothy  
Howland David Shepherd & and Thos Ashin which Testimonies  
are Accepted for satisfaction provide they Cause themselves  
Publicly read as usual & Return & Report made to next  
mo meeting thereof -- and said Committee are still continue  
to Labour with those transgressors on their accounts who have  
not yet complied with friends (Aldwin) also to draw Testimonies against  
them that decline making satisfaction and Report next mo meeting

The Committee that had the care of that matter Reporting  
Case of  
Howland  
to  
that  
David Howland & freeing his Negro. Disposed of matter continued  
therefore its Report to next mo. meeting and then they to Report

This meeting Appoints William Mosher an Elder

The Clerk Reports he hath the Testimonies against John Wood and  
John Wood  
denial  
Wm Haydon as ordered & Testimonies is as followeth

Whereas John Wood & Wm Haydon has had their Education amongst friends yet by  
giving way to the Insinuations of the adversaries they have been found  
guilty of stealing watermillions from John Shepherds Schoone of Dart  
has appeared with a tumultuous Company by way of Riot very unbecom-  
ing the truth which we profess. Likewise P. Wood & Thaden has  
Proceeded in Marriage out of the Unity of friends, all which they  
have been Labour, with for in order to convince them of the evil  
of their ways but our Labour of Love not having the desired effect  
to friends satisfaction therefore for the clearing of truth and friends from  
such evil Practices do hereby Disown the P. John Wood & Wm Haydon as  
members of our Religious Society and from under the care of this meeting  
believing if it be consistent with Divine goodness they may come to repent  
of their evil ways and by unfeigned Repentance be Reconciled to the  
peace of their souls at our mo meeting held and adjourned there the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1777  
and signed in and on behalf of meeting by Wm Aldwin Clerk

2 month  
1777

This meeting being now confirmed of Wm Russell having been in  
the way therefore to confirm the Denial of P. Russell and the  
Committee Continued to Draw a Testimony against him as ordered  
Last mo meeting and Inform him thereof & Report next meeting

The Committee appointed to raise money, not being fully  
ready to make Return therefore they are continued in that  
labour to Report next mo meeting

We are Informd that Walter Wood hath moved out of the Unity  
of friends after being Proceaded by one of the Cooper therefore  
we deny him the said Walter Wood from being under the care of  
friends, and Joseph Tucker is appointed to Inform him thereof  
& Report next mo meeting

This meeting being Informd that Benj<sup>r</sup> Russell Son of Benj<sup>r</sup>  
Russell Son of Benj<sup>r</sup> hath purchasd or partook of prize goods  
and been Labour, with, but not appearing to make satisfaction  
therefore P. matter is Referred under the care of the Committee  
appointed to Labour with transgressors of that kind

This meeting is Informd that Stephen Mott hath helited into  
the war and we appointed Caleb Russell and John Williams  
to treat with him and Draw a paper of Denial against  
him if he Declines to make satisfaction and make Report  
next mo meeting

This meeting is Informd that Joseph Mott hath removed  
away a far distance from hence and married out of the  
Unity of friends and as he cannot well be Labour, with by  
Reason of his being gone away as aforesd, therefore this meeting  
doth deny him from being a member of our Society

The Committee that had the care of that matter concerning  
Amos Wilcox made Report that he hath given them no  
satisfaction but still continues in this heavy rebellion, therefore  
this meeting doth deny him from being in membership  
with us & P. Committee are ordered to draw a paper of Denial  
against him & bring to next mo meeting effect to Inform him of his  
Denial



2 month  
1777 The Clerk hath signed a Certificate or Recommendation to the  
Case of monthly Meeting of the Nine Partners for Simon Gifford, who  
Simon hath Remov'd there & married out of the Unity of friends. Requesting  
Gifford them to take the matter with him under their care

To report It hath been moved in this meeting to consider the matter as to  
into the Right of to our members who stand as members & who hath a proper Right  
Member by the Rules of our Society & who not therefore Princes Allen Wm  
Ship Anthony Jr Tho: Huk Benjamin Smith Jr & Samuel Smith are  
appointed as a Committee to consider thereof and if they think  
there needs a further Explanation to our yearly meeting minutes  
in that respect they are desired to draw up what they think  
needful in writing and bring it to next mo meeting

This meeting Collected - - - - -  
0 16  
L money

3 month  
1777 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 27<sup>th</sup> mo 1777  
the Representatives are Princes Allen & Benj Howland Jr report

The Clerk Reports he hath not Read the Testimony against  
against Joseph Seaford Jr & the sons of Benja Allen as orderd Last mo meeting  
to the Clerk  
not read therefore he is still continued for that service & to Report next mo  
meeting

The friends (viz) Barker Little David Briggs Elisha  
Howm Jonathan Howland Timothy Howland David Sheppard  
Tho: Akin hath read their Testimonies to be read Publicly as  
orderd last mo meeting & Return'd them to this meeting To Jerry  
Custodian of several as follows

To the Monthly Meeting of Dartmouth  
Beloved Friends

We the subscribers having Inconsiderately or unduly Purchas'd  
or sold some small quantity of those goods called Princes goods taken by  
war and Violence which said conduct of ours after a mature  
consideration thereof we do utterly condemn and anathematize  
for it hereby Testifying to friends and Publicly Declaring

2 month  
1777 Declaring to all People to whom these Presents may come  
that as our conduct herein is Inconsistent with the Religious  
Profession we make, so we would take the Reproach thereof to  
ourselves, and Clear the truth and the Professors thereof from the  
Same Desiring forgiveness from the Divine goodness and that  
friends would so far pass by this our misfound act as let us  
Remain Under their care hoping in future through Divine  
Assistance to be preserved from the like misbehaviour  
from your friends Dated 9<sup>th</sup> of the 7<sup>th</sup> month Ad: 1777

Tho: Akin Barker Little  
Timothy Howland David Briggs  
David Sheppard Jr Elisha Howm  
Jonathan Howland

Job Gifford Nicholas Lapham & Luthon Wood gave in  
Job Gifford  
Nicholas Lapham  
Luthon Wood  
papers accepted  
papers to this meeting Condemning their Purchasing some  
Princes goods which is accepted, provided they cause them to be  
Publicly Read as usual & Report & Return papers next  
mo meeting - - And the same Committee are still continued  
to Labour with those that are transgressors on account of  
being concern'd with Princes goods & to Report next mo meeting  
and draw testimonies against those that Decline making  
Satisfaction if any there be & bring to next mo meeting

The Committee Appointed to Labour with Isaac Howland Jr  
on account of his seeing his Negro Report that they have  
not dishonord themselves on that account therefore they  
are still continued in that service & to Report next mo meeting

Joseph Tucker Jr Reports that he hath not Inform'd  
Walter Wood of his Denial as orderd therefore he is continued for  
that service & to Report next mo meeting

These was a Testimony against Stephen Mott sign'd in  
this meeting by the Clerk who is orderd to Read it Publicly as  
usual & Report next mo meeting & John Williams is appointed  
to Inform Mott of his Denial & Report next mo meeting



3 month 1777

The Committee appointed to raise money by way of Subscription Report that they have Rais'd the sum of £ 17 6 s of which is paid to the Committee that finish the land around the meeting house the sum of £ 5 4 s and the remainder is Deliver'd to the treasurer which is 12 s

There was a Testimony sign'd in this meeting by the Clerk against Amos Wilcox & the Clerk is order'd to read it publickly as usual & Report next mo meeting

This meeting Collected £ 5 8 1/2

This meeting Adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> hour

Meet by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1777 the Representatives being call'd both present

The friends Appointed who hath a proper Birthright by the Rules of Discipline &c Report that they have mett and Confider'd but are not ready for a Report in full therefore they are still Continued for that service & to make Report next mo meeting

Jonathan & Huldy Willcox gave in a paper Requesting to Come under friends care with their children and our friends Philips Allen & Prince Allen are appointed to join the women and take an Opportunity of Solid Confession with them in order to Discover the motive of their Request and Report next mo meeting

Abiel Gifford Requests to come under friends care and we appoint Wm Mosher & Wm Barker to take an opportunity of Solid Confession with him in order to Discover the motive of his Request & Report next mo meeting

There was Testificates sign'd in this meeting for James Barker & Jonathan Hart the two first to the meeting of y<sup>e</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Instant the Latter to the meeting at Smithfield they being a going there to make done

3 month 1777

Report of money

Testimony sign'd against Amos Wilcox

Adjourn

Meet

Concerning Birthright of members

Jonathan Willcox & wife desire to come under friends care

Abiel Gifford request to come under friends care

Testificates for James Barker & Jonathan Hart

3 month 1777

Wm Barker's account

Wm Barker gave in an Account to this meeting for hay which he Prov'd at our Quarterly meeting in the 10<sup>th</sup> mo last which is Allow'd & the treasurer is order'd to pay the same which is £ 1 4 s 1/2 and make Report next mo meeting

Minutes

William Anthony & Samuel Smith Prince Allen and John Williams are appointed to Revise and Correct this meeting minutes in order to go on Record and Report next mo meeting also to settle accounts with the treasurer

Friend appointed as Elder

The Women Inform that they have Appointed Susannah Smith Deborah Haden & Deborah Hicks in the place of Elders which this meeting concurs with and they with our friends Wm Mosher & Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks is Recommended as Elders to the Quarterly meeting

Quarries answer

The Quaries was Answer'd in this meeting and said before together with a Epistle which was sign'd in this meeting was order'd forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Caleb Russell Wm Mosher Tho<sup>s</sup> Hicks John Williams & William Anthony & they to make Report next monthly meeting

Representative

4 month 1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 21<sup>st</sup> the 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1777

The Representatives are Caleb Russell & James Davis Present

Testimony read against Joseph Russell & the sons of Benjamin Allen

The Clerk Reports he hath Read the Testimony against Joseph Russell & the sons of Benjamin Allen as order'd last mo meeting P. Testimonials are as followeth



4 month 1777  
 Testimonies against  
 P. A.  
 P. A.  
 P. A.  
 P. A.  
 Testimonies of  
 Ralph Allen  
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Whereas Joseph Russell the son of Caleb Russell and David Allen Jonathan Allen & Elezer Allen being the sons of Benj<sup>n</sup> Allen all having had their Education amongst friends but by departing from their Education and the Testimony of Truth have so far gone astray as to be concerned in receiving buying carrying or otherwise concerned in these goods taken in the war by force of arms being those goods called Prize goods and friends and friends having Labour with each of them in order to Discover to them the Evil of such a practice but friends Labour of Love not having its Desir<sup>d</sup> Effect

these are therefore Given forth as a Publick Testimony against them the s<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Russell David Allen Jonathan Allen & Elezer Allen hereby Denying & Disowning them from being members of our Society & from under the care of this meeting untill by unfeigned Repentance and Acknowledg<sup>e</sup> of the Error of their ways they shall be Restor<sup>d</sup> to the way of Truth Given forth and sign<sup>d</sup> in and on behalf of our 3<sup>d</sup> meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 17<sup>th</sup> the 2<sup>nd</sup> mo 1777 by

W<sup>m</sup> Anthony 2<sup>d</sup> Clerk

Lathan Wood Job Gifford Nicholas Lapham both Clerk  
 their papers to be Publickly Read & Return<sup>d</sup> to this meeting as order<sup>d</sup> last mo meeting P. papers is as followeth

To the Monthly Meeting held 17<sup>th</sup> Day 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1777  
 Whereas some time past we purchas<sup>d</sup> some goods called Prize goods and upon a further Consideration find it is contrary to the main part of truth which we are sorry for and do order<sup>d</sup> and Desir<sup>d</sup> friends to part by and sell them under their seal from your friends

Lathan Wood  
 Job Gifford  
 Nicholas Lapham

4 month 1777  
 Testimonies against  
 P. A.  
 P. A.  
 P. A.  
 P. A.  
 Testimonies of  
 Ralph Allen  
 Records on page 390

Part of the Committee appointed to Labour with those who are transgressors on account of being concerned in the purchase of Prize goods Report that Joseph Russell and Benj<sup>n</sup> Russell have been condemned in that matter to give Satisfaction therefore the same Committee are Continued to Labour further with them & if they find no Satisfaction to Draw Testimonies against them & bring to next meeting

There was a Testimony sign<sup>d</sup> in this meeting by the Clerk against W<sup>m</sup> Russell Son of Timothy Russell & the Clerk is order<sup>d</sup> to read it publickly as usual & Report to next meeting

The Treasurer Reports that he has paid L<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>0</sup> 0<sup>0</sup> to W<sup>m</sup> Barker as order<sup>d</sup> last mo meeting

This meeting not being fully satisfied on account of some of the members being somewhat diffident in that affair Conclude to ask the advice of the Quarterly meeting therein

Joseph Tucker Reports that he hath Inform<sup>d</sup> Walter Wood of his Error as order<sup>d</sup> last mo meeting

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against Stephen Mott as order<sup>d</sup> P. Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Stephen Mott Son of Jacob Mott having had his Birth Right of Membership with us but hath so far Deviated from our principles as to enlist himself a Soldier & having been Labour<sup>d</sup> with in love for his misconduct in order to Reclaim him from the love of sin we give our friends Labour not having its Desir<sup>d</sup> Effect therefore for the clearing of truth from such practices we give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him & do deny him from being a member of this meeting Nevertheless Desir<sup>d</sup> if it be Consistent with Divine Pleas<sup>r</sup> that he may come to a Right of his Obligations & Return sign<sup>d</sup> in and on behalf of our meeting held in Dartmouth 17<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1777 by W<sup>m</sup> Anthony 2<sup>d</sup> Clerk



4 month  
1777  
Joseph Hall  
not inform  
of deal

John Williams not having inform Stephen mott of his Debit  
as order he is still continued for that service & to make Report  
next me meeting

Mary How  
land bet  
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There was a Removal Certificate sign'd for Mary Howland  
wife of Samuel Howland to the me meeting of Cabot

Letter to  
Greenwich

This meeting signed and Directed a letter to Greenwich me  
meeting Desiring their assistance to Labour with the family  
of Charles Howland he being Deceased

The Clerk Reports that he hath Read the testimony against  
Amos Willcox as orderd Last me meeting & testimony is as  
followeth

Testimony  
against  
Amos Willcox

Whereas Amos Willcox son of Wm Willcox Deceased and  
Dorothy his wife of Dartmouth in the county of Bristol  
Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England having  
had a Conversation with us the People called Quakers yet  
through unwatchfulness and a Disregard to the testimony of  
truth in himself hath been found in the practice of many  
bad Language going to places of frolicking and Regrets  
attending of meetings which conduct being Reproachable  
and Scandalous to our Profession and friends having labored  
with him in love in order to bring him to a sight of his  
Errors but their Labour proving Unsuccessful and reporting  
in D. Practices therefore for the clearing of truth and  
from the Reproach thereof this meeting is concerned to give  
as a Publick testimony against him Disowning him the  
Amos Willcox from being under our care yet Desiring if it be  
agreeable with Divine goodness that he may yet come to sight  
of the evil of his ways and through Unfeigned Repentance  
find mercy.

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 21 Day of 4 mo 1777 and sign'd in and by order of meeting  
By Wm Anthony Clerk

4 month  
1777  
Case of Birth  
of Child  
been gone to  
weekly meet  
ing

We understand the matter in regard to what Cadman have  
Propos'd Birth Rights & who not by the rules of our Society is  
gone from the Quarterly meeting to the yearly meeting for an  
Explanation thereof therefore the Committee appointed in our  
meeting for that Service is Dismiss'd

Abel Gifford  
accepted

The friends appointed to have an opportunity with Abel  
Gifford Report that he gave them good Satisfaction therefore  
accept of the R. Gifford to be under our care

Case of  
Jonathan  
Willbur

The Committee appointed to have an Opportunity of Conference  
with Jonathan Willbur Report that J. Willbur gave them good  
Satisfaction but he not being present therefore D. matter is  
Refer'd to next me meeting under the care of the same Committee  
as heretofore

Martha Allen  
Received

The Women Inform that they have Received into membership  
Martha Allen wife of Jonathan Allen & their two Daughters  
Mary & Sibel which this meeting concurs with

Return from  
2nd meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report that  
they all attended 2<sup>d</sup> meeting but have not Produced their Epistle  
by Reason it was not Transmitt'd Two Epistle from London and one  
from the meeting of Sufferers in Philadelphia were Read in  
this meeting to good Satisfaction & the Clerk is orderd to read  
them severally at his Desposition at the Close of some of  
our Publick meetings of worship

Charles Howland  
Council Member  
son of Charles  
Howland deceased

This meeting is inform'd that Charles Howland & Elizabeth  
Howland son of Charles Howland Deceased who Remov'd from  
hence some years past & having a right among friends but  
they having been lately Visit'd & treated with by two friends  
of this meeting who Report that D. Howland owned them  
Selves to have been concern'd in military matters & not  
Discovering in those any Disposition of a Return or  
Reformation therefore we do Disown them from being members  
of our Society and appoint Benj<sup>n</sup> Howland & Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith  
to



4 month 1777

to Draw a Testimony against them & bring to next meeting and Caleb Russell is Appointed to Inform them of their Denial a soon as he convenient can & Report to this meeting

Minutes not read

The Committee appointed to Revise and Correct this meeting minutes not having completed it they are still continue for that Service & also to settle Account with the Treasurer & Report next meeting

Giles Storum request a Certificate

Storum Requests a Certificate to the meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Course Respecting marriage & Conversation thereof Nicholas Howland & Samuel Smith are Appointed to Inquire into the matter and Draw one if they think proper & bring to next meeting

Meeting granted at Bedford

The friends appointed to Oversee the meeting at Bedford make Report that D. meeting hath been kept up as ordered as usual heretofore and they Request the same may be continued as heretofore for the year ensuing which is granted and Caleb Russell & Seth Russell & James Davis is Appointed to Oversee the D. meeting to see it be kept up according to the good order of truth & to make at the Expiration thereof

this meeting Obeyed - 1-10-8 & money

5 month 1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> the 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1777

The Representatives are Benj. Howland 2<sup>d</sup> & Abner of 10<sup>th</sup> Present

Received an Epistle from our Last Quarterly meeting which was Read and the Advice therein well Accepted

5 month 1777

Minutes not read

The Committee Appointed on the account of those friends Concerned in Prise Goods made Report that they have not fully gone through with the matter they are therefore continued in the same Service & to make report next monthly meeting

Stephen Mott Inform of his denial

John Williams Reports he hath Inform'd Stephen Mott of his Denial as ordered

Testimony against Wm Russell not read

The Clerk Reports he hath not Read the Testimony against Wm Russell according to Appointment he is therefore continued for that Service & to make Report next meeting

Testimony signed against Ebenezer & Charles Storum

There was a Testimony signed in this meeting against Ebenezer & Charles Storum sons of Charles Storum Deceased and the Clerk is ordered to Read the same Publicly as usual and Report next meeting

Minutes read

The Committee Appointed to Revise & Correct the meeting minutes & to settle accounts with the Treasurer report that they have fulfilled their Appointment & left the minutes with the Clerk to be Recorded and there remains in the stock after settlement the sum of £ 5 half money

Settled with Treasurer

Giles Storum Certificate

There was a Certificate signed in this meeting on the Account of Giles Storum Deceased to the meeting of Sandwich Certifying his Course Respecting marriage

Complaint against Joshua Sherman

This meeting is Inform'd that Joshua Sherman hath Remov'd out of the string of this meeting sometime past and not applying for a Certificate also Neglects attending meeting and hath been Labour'd with by one of our Brethren & other friends but they not finding Satisfaction thereof we appoint Caleb Russell and John Williams to Labour further with him for his misconduct and Report next meeting



5<sup>th</sup> Month  
1777

Jonathan  
Willbor  
Wife &  
Children  
Accus'd

This Meeting in Concurrance with the womens meeting doth Accept of Jonathan Willbor and Haldah his wife and all their Children to be members under the care of this meeting

Prince Allen  
Treasurer

This meeting Appoints Prince Allen Treasurer in the room of Tho: Hicks who by his Request is Dismissed  
This meeting Collected £ 5 - 9 - 3 Money

6<sup>th</sup> Month  
1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> the 6<sup>th</sup> mo 1777

The Representatives are William Sandford & Prince Allen Present

The Queries were read and Answers prepar'd in this meeting

Adjourn

This meeting Adjourns to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant after the meeting of worship which is to begin at y<sup>e</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> hour, by reason of its now being the time of the yearly meeting

Meet

Met by Adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 6<sup>mo</sup> 1777  
The Representatives being called both present

Report of  
Com<sup>tee</sup>  
Concerning  
Prize  
goods

The Greater part of the Committee appointed to Labour with those transgressors on account of prize goods Report that they have Discharged themselves in that matter and Joseph Russell and Benjamin Russell gave them ~~no~~ Satisfaction on that account, and P<sup>r</sup> Committee hath Draughted and brought Testimonies against them to this meeting, yet the matter is Refer'd one month longer by the Request of William Barker and Joseph Russell as they Express a Concern to trade further with them and they to Report next monthly meeting

Testimonies  
Read

The Clerk Reports he hath Read the Testimonies against W<sup>m</sup> Russell & Charles & Ebenezer Sloun as ordered last mo meeting  
P<sup>r</sup> Testimonies are as followeth

month  
1777

Testimony  
against W<sup>m</sup>  
Russell & Tim  
son

Whereas William Russell son of Timot by Russell, having had a Birthright among friends and been under the care of this meeting but hath so far Departed from our Profession as to Enlist into the wars which being so inconsistent with our prof<sup>ess</sup>ion and Principles and Reproach full to our Society that this meeting is concern'd to give this forth as a publick testimony against the said William Russell hereby Disowning him from being under our care, yet Desiring if it be Agreeable with Divine Pleasure that he may come to Light and Sense of the Evil of such practices and through unfeign'd Repentance find mercy Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1777. and Sign'd in and by order of meeting  
William Anthony J<sup>r</sup> Clerk

Testimony  
against Eben  
& Charles  
Sloun

Whereas Ebenezer Sloun and Charles Sloun, sons of Charles Sloun Deceased and Sarah his wife, having had a Right of Memberships amongst us, but they Departing so far from the Principles we Profess as to be concern'd in Military or warlike matters and friends having Traded with them on that Account, but they Disowning no Disposition of a Return or Reformation, therefore this meeting being concern'd to maintain our Testimony herein do hereby Publickly Disown and testify against them the said Ebenezer and Charles Sloun from being members of our Religious Society until by unfeign'd Repentance & Reformation they shall be Restor'd to the way of truth - Given forth and Sign'd in & on behalf of our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> mo 1777 by William Anthony J<sup>r</sup> Clerk

Judith Allen &  
Abigail How  
land

The Women Inform they have Denied Judith Allen and Abigail Howland which we concern with

Case of Joshua  
Shearman  
repeal

The Committee appointed to Labour with Joshua Shearman Report that they have not fully accomplished P<sup>r</sup> matter therefore its Refer'd under their care and they to make Report next mo meeting



6 month  
1777  
Elizabeth  
Howland  
disowned

Belshiah  
Clarens  
Received

Receipts  
in  
an  
favor  
&  
Epistle

Choosing  
overseers  
refer

7 month  
1777

John  
Williams  
proposal  
of  
marriage

Choice  
of  
overseers  
refer

Report  
from  
last  
meeting  
Epistle  
Received

There was a Testimony of Denial against Elizabeth  
Rupelle wife of Benjamin Rupelle sign'd in this meeting  
by the Clerk

The women Inform they have Minuted Bethah Eldridge  
under their care which we concur with

Our friends Thomas Hiker William Anthony &  
Benjamin Howland & both Rupelle are appointed  
to attend the Quarterly meeting and report next mo  
meeting and present the Epistle with the Answer to the  
Quar's

A New Choice of Overseers is Refer'd to next mo meeting  
and the former continued in that service till a New Choice is  
made

This meeting Collected - 2 " 3 " 5 L money

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 2d 7 mo 1777  
the Representatives are Wm Barker & Joseph Tucker for present  
John Williams and Montha Peabody Declar'd their Intent's  
of taking each other in marriage and were Deferr'd to us  
till next monthly meeting for an Answer and Joseph  
Gifford and Wm Barker are appointed to Enquire into the  
Character of J. Williams Respecting marriage & Consolation  
and make Report next mo meeting

A new Choice of Overseers both of the meeting and of J  
Poor is Refer'd to next mo meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report  
they all Attend Agreeable to appointment and have  
Produced an Epistle from the Same with a Transcript  
of a written one from London bearing Date from J 27  
the 5 mo 1776 to the 5 of 6 mo Philadelphia with a Trans  
cript from Philadelphia with our last yearly meeting  
Epistle with an Extract from some of P. yearly meeting

7 month  
1777

Joseph  
Rupelle  
disowned

Case of Joseph  
Rupelle refer

Case of Joshua  
Sherman &  
son Joseph  
refer

Elizabeth  
Howland  
disowned

Jonathan  
Blacum  
disowned

Minutes all of which have been Read in this meeting to Good  
Satisfaction and the V<sup>d</sup> Transcript from London is order to  
be Publicly Read in Each of our meetings for worship

Joseph Gifford and William Barker made Report that they  
have had conference with Joseph Rupelle and Benja Rupelle  
agreeable to their appointment and that the said Benja did  
not Give them Satisfaction therefore he is hereby Denied from  
being a member of this meeting and the Clerk hath sign'd  
a paper of Denial against him and is order to read it & to  
as Usual & make Report next mo meeting

And their Report Respecting Joseph Rupelle not being fully  
Satisfactory the matter is Refer'd at y<sup>e</sup> Request of John  
Dorlan, to next mo meeting & Nicholas Howland is appointed to  
Inform Benja Rupelle of his Denial & Report next mo meeting

The Committee appointed on account of Joshua Sherman  
Report that he gave them a Degree of Satisfaction for his  
Removing without the advice of friends & not Requesting a  
Certificate therefore we appoint our friends James Davis and  
John Williams to see if his outward affairs be settled to Satisfaction  
and Draw a Certificate if they think proper also to Draw one for  
Joshua Sherman if they think proper and bring them to  
next monthly meeting

This meeting in Concurrence with the Women's meeting have  
sign'd a Testimony Against Elizabeth Howland wife to  
Benja Howland

This meeting is Inform'd that Jonathan Slown hath  
married out of the Unity of friends after being previously  
caution'd by the Overseers, and also hath been found guilty of  
fornication as appears by his wife having a Child before  
marriage as also by his own confession therefore the meeting  
doth Disown him the said Jonathan Slown and Philips  
Allen & Samuel Smith are appointed to Draft a paper of  
Denial against him and Inform him thereof and to make  
Report next mo meeting



7 month 1777

Complaint a gainst Tho: Wilcox and Wm Sanford

We are Inform'd That Thomas Wilcox & William Sanford per hath Purloin'd some Prize goods and they have been labour'd with by friends for their misconduct but did not give them satisfaction therefore our friends John Potter & Benj<sup>a</sup> Taber are appointed to Labour further with them and to make report next the meeting

To have oversight of making house yard

We appoint our Friends William Barker Dime Allen<sup>d</sup> Potter Benj<sup>a</sup> Howland & William Anthony <sup>sr</sup> to have the Oversight & care of the yard fenced in Round our meeting house and Endeavour to Preserve the said for the Use of our Friends horse at the time of the Quarterly meeting and other times as they shall see Cause upon Application made to them

Penelope Trafford deny'd

The women Inform that they have Denied Penelope Trafford which this meeting Concerns with Collected --- L<sup>s</sup> 11<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> L<sup>s</sup> Money

Order on Treasurer

The Treasurer is order'd to pay Wm Barker 4 Dollars for his year's keeping the meeting house and L<sup>s</sup> 3 for other Charge which he paid for this meeting also the Treasurer is order'd to pay Joseph Rother L<sup>s</sup> 8<sup>s</sup> 0 for Peter Barney for the hire of a Wapell for friend to go to Nantucket

8 month 1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 8<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> mo 1777 The Representatives are Joseph Barker & Dime Allen present The Committee appointed to Inquire into John Williams Charge Respecting marriage & Conversation Report that they have found nothing to hinder his proceeding

John Williams answer

John Williams and Martha Debody appear for their answer which was that they might proceed to take Care either in morning in some Convenient time between this & next meeting according with the friends this meeting shall appoint for that purpose and Joseph Gifford & Wm Barker are appointed to see their names set out & Report next the meeting

8 month 1777

Wm Penn Epistles

Reciev'd several Reprinted Epistles of our worthy friend William Penn taken from his Select works page 497, one of which being Read to satisfaction and they are order'd to be Read & published among friends to be read in their societies

Business of meeting

We appoint our friends Joseph Barker James Davis Dime Allen & William Anthony <sup>sr</sup> Overseers of the meeting for the year Ensign and an Additional Choir is Requested to next the meeting

Overseers of poor

Caleb Ruppell Seth Ruppell Benj<sup>a</sup> Rieder Samuel Smith Gideon Howland are Appointed overseers of the poor for the year Ensign

The Clerk Report he hath Read the Testimony against Benj<sup>a</sup> Ruppell and Nicholas Howland Reports he Inform'd B. Ruppell of his Denial as order'd Last mo. meeting B. Testimony is as followeth

Testimony against Benj Ruppell

Whereas Benja Ruppell (Son of Benj<sup>a</sup> Ruppell Deceased) having been a Member of our Society but hath since departed from our Religious Profession as to purchase some of those Goods called Prize Goods taken in the war, and this meeting having Labour'd with him in Love in order to Dissuade to him the Evil of his <sup>d</sup> Conduct but our Labour therein not being Effectual therefore for the clearing of our testimony herein this meeting is Conven'd to go this path as a Publick Testimony against him hereby Disowning him that Ruppell from being a member of our Society until by a sincere Reformation & Return he shall be Restor'd to the way of Truth Given forth & Sign'd in our behalf of our meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of the 7<sup>th</sup> mo 1777 By --- Wm Anthony Jr Clerk



8 month 1777 Stephen Gifford Requests a Certificate to the next meeting of the Society Certifying his Character Respecting marriage and conversation therefore Samuel Smith & Tho. Hittis are appointed to take the necessary care on that account & make report next meeting

Aaron Lankester and David Sands Visit Our Beloved Friends Aaron Lankester and David Sands were at this meeting on a Religious Visit when Testimony was given both were well accepted and Samuel Smith & Wm. Smith are appointed to draw Certificates for them and bring them to next on the Adjournment of this meeting

adjourned This meeting adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of worship

met Met by Adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of June 1777

John Potter made Report Respecting Joseph Russell and he the Russell gave in a paper to this meeting which were to pretty good satisfaction yet the matter is refer'd to next meeting for some alteration in paper if he shall see fit to alter the same

Joshua Sherman This Meeting sign'd Removal Certificate for Joshua Sherman and Joshua Sherman Jr. to the next meeting of Sandwich who have removed thither some time ago

Denial Jonathan Blown paper of Denial was sign'd against Jonathan Blown and the Clerk is order'd to read the same Publickly as usual and make Report next meeting but if Committee not having inform'd him of his Denial Philip Allen is order'd to Inform him of his Denial & Report next meeting

Greenwich Certificate Received a Removal Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Greenwich for Jonathan Green and Martha Green who have moved here & is Accepted

Denial A paper of Denial was sign'd in this meeting against Carter Russells wife of Paul Russell in Concurrence with the women's meeting

8 month 1777 The Committee Appointed to treat with Wm. Sandford and Tho. Wilson Report that they have had a Conference with them the former of which gave them a Degree of Satisfaction the latter appeared in a state of willful Fardness yet they have each of them Given in a paper Condemning their misconduct but either of them attended this meeting said Committee are still continued to treat with them once more and to draw a paper of Denial against the latter if he do not give them Satisfaction and bring it & make Report next meeting

The Treasurer not having paid the money to Joseph Welch as order'd he is therefore still continued to pay the same & Report next meeting

This meeting doth conclude at 9 Request & by the Directions of our Quarterly meeting Committee to hold our next meeting on the next day following the preparative meeting being the fifth Day of the week and to begin at the usual hour

This meeting being inform'd that Nathaniel Kirby hath appear'd with the military Company as a Soldier, and been Labour'd with by the Officers and Justices to Conclude therefore we appoint Philip Stoumen & Philip Allen to Labour further with him and draw a paper of Denial against him if they find no Satisfaction and bring to next meeting

Certificates for A. Lankester & D. Sands Certificate for Aaron Lankester and David Sands were sign'd in this meeting the former to the next meeting at the Oblong the latter to the next meeting of the Representatives

9 month 1777 At a Monthly Meeting had in Dorchester the 3<sup>rd</sup> Day 1777 the Representatives are Benj. Howland Jr. & Benj. Tabor present This meeting hath Concluded not to enlarge any into this meeting that are not members of the Society for the future, & that the time of young people passing in order for marriage nor other time John Williams, Jos. Gifford & Wm. Boston Report they attend the marriage of John Williams & Martha Tabor and that it was conform'd orderly



384  
9 month  
1777 an Additional choice of <sup>Officers</sup> <sup>Resolved</sup> to next mo meeting

Rep Gifford  
Certificate A Certificate was signed in this meeting for Stephen Gifford  
Respecting his Cleared of marriage and Conversion Direct  
to y<sup>e</sup> me meeting of next mo

Case of the  
Refused  
The matter Respecting Joseph Russell is Resolved to next mo  
meeting under the care of John Dotter who is then to make  
Report

Some Howland  
denial  
The Clerk Reports he hath read the Testimony against  
Jonathan Moom worded Last mo meeting but Phillip Howland  
not having Informed him is Continued for that service & to make  
Report next mo meeting

Wm Vanford  
The Willcox  
The Committee that had the Case of that matter Respecting  
Wm Sanderson & the Willcox Report that they found  
Some Satisfaction with both & friends yet by D. Committee Request  
it is Resolved to next mo meeting under their Care & then they to  
make Report

Treasurer  
The Treasurer not having paid the money to Joseph Hatch as  
ordered he is therefore ordered to pay the same & Report when it  
is done

Not in  
case  
The Committee appointed to treat with Nathaniel Pirby Report  
they have had a Conference with him and Received a Degree of  
Satisfaction therefore the matter is Resolved to next mo meeting  
under the care of y<sup>e</sup> same Committee as before and Benj<sup>n</sup>  
Howland & Samuel Smith is added to them and they to Report  
next mo meeting and Draw a paper of Denial against him  
if he do not give them Satisfaction

To collect  
accounts  
of Sufferings  
of friends  
We appoint our friends Samuel Smith Prime Allen John  
Williams Benj. Rider a Committee to Collect the Account of  
the Sufferings of friend within the Compass of this meeting &  
bring them to this meeting

385  
9 month  
1777 Benjamin Howland & Mary Howland declared their Inten  
tion of taking each other in marriage and were Desired to wait  
till next mo meeting for their answer and Wm Barks & Joseph  
Gifford are Appointed to Enquire into the young man's (Name)  
and to make Report next mo meeting  
Collected — L3-6-1 L mo

This meeting to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for worship  
Meet by Adjournment of 24 Day of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1777

The Representatives called both present  
The Committee from the Quarterly meeting appointed to Advise  
this meeting in a matter Respecting Isaac Howland's leaving  
his Negro brother matters Do truth opens the way, have given  
in the following in writing as their advice which is well  
Accepted

Dartmouth of 10<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>mo</sup> 1777  
Their advice  
& Judgment We the Committee appointed by our last Quarterly meeting to  
visit the mo meeting of friends at upon grant for the support  
of our Christian Discipline and more Especially that part  
of it against Slavery Do give it as our sense and Judgment  
in the first place that the spirit and intention of our Rule  
Discipline on that behalf be fully offered and attended unto  
But Nevertheless when any friend moved by a Principle  
of Benevolence to Assist any in Bondage in order to procure  
their freedom if time & opportunity Admitt that such friend  
before he Proceed therein lay the same before the mo meeting  
to which he belong & take their Advice yet if he should for  
want of time or Opportunity Proceed thereon without the  
advice of friends as aforesaid we think it may be safe for  
the Monthly meeting where the Benevolent Intention  
is Evident by attending circumstances to let such friends  
Escape the Censure of Society

John Collins  
Joseph Devol  
Thos Harrison son of Robert  
Oriel Wilkinson  
and the matter Respecting  
Isaac Howland is Resolved to this meeting Committee that had the  
Care of that matter last in Charge & they to Judge thereon and  
make Return to this meeting when they have fulfilled the  
same



9 month  
1777

Answers  
Epistle  
Representatives

The Queries were Answer'd and an Epistle sign'd in this meeting and order'd forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Joseph Tucker Samuel Smith & Tho: Hicks and they to Report next me meeting

Order on  
Treasurer

By Directions from Last Quarterly this meeting orders the Treasurer to pay to the yearly meeting Treasurer the sum of twelve pounds to supply the yearly meeting Stock and make Report next me meeting

30 month  
1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth of 20<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>mo</sup> 1777 the Representatives are Caleb Ruffell and Philip Allen Paper An Additional Choice of Overseers is Refer'd to next me meeting

In Reply  
papers  
accepted

Joseph Ruffell give in a paper to this meeting concerning his suffering his Team to draw some pris'd Shingles which this meeting thought provided he be cause the same to be Publickly Read as usual & Return a paper to next me meeting

W<sup>h</sup> read  
in the  
Willis  
Case

The Committee appointed on the Case of Wood and Ford ye and Tho: Willis not having Accomplish'd their Service Defic't Case is Refer'd to next me meeting which is accordingly and then they to make Report

Nathaniel  
Kerby  
disband

Whereas Nathaniel Kerby hath sometime past taken up arms in the military Service and the Committee appointed to labour with him therefor hath made Report that he gave them no satisfaction, Therefore for the clearing of our testimony herein the meeting doth Dissolve him from being a member of our Society and from under the care of friends, and the Clerk is order'd to read this minute Publickly at the Close of a first Days meeting as usual & Report next me meeting

The friends appointed to Inquire into Benj: Howland's Clearely Respecting marriage Report that they dont find any thing to hinder his proceeding

month  
1777

Return from  
meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all Attended and have Produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read to Good Satisfaction

Treasurer  
Report

The Treasurer Reports he hath sent the money to the yearly meeting Treasurer Agreeable to his Appointment

Benj: Howland  
and  
Mary

Benj: Howland 3<sup>rd</sup> and Mary Storum Appear'd for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time before next meeting Advising with the Overseers this meeting shall agree for that purpose and Joseph Gifford & W<sup>m</sup> Howland are appointed to see'd marriage Consumated orderly and Report next me meeting

Mary Storum  
Certificate

The Women Inform they have Received a Removal Certificate for Mary Storum wife of Giles Storum which this meeting bears with

Maria Howland

They also Inform they have Received a Removal Certificate for Martha Storum wife of John Storum with all her Children Except the youngest which being born since they Remov'd which is Received as a member at the Request of the mother of Child

John Smith  
request a  
Certificate

John Smith son of Isaac Smith Decen? Requests a Removal Certificate to if me meeting at the Vineyard therefore we Oppose Nicholas Howland & Tho: Hicks to take the necessary Care therein and Draw one for him if they find things Clear and bring it to next me meeting

Benj: Howland  
request a  
Certificate

Gilbert Howland also Requests a Removal Certificate to the me meeting at the Vineyard therefore we appoint Joseph Barker and Tho: Hicks to Draw one for him if they think proper after Enquiry & bring to next me meeting  
Collected — £4-5-12

31 month  
1777

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 14<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>mo</sup> 1777 the Representatives are Benj: Howland 2<sup>nd</sup> & Prince Allen present

Joseph Ruffell  
papers  
read

Joseph Ruffell's paper having been read as order'd and is Return'd to this meeting & paper is as followeth



To the Monthly Meeting of friends in Dartmouth  
Respected Friends

Whereas some time past I suffer my Team to be  
some wise shuger a small Distane and thereby offend  
my friends for which I am sorry and do Condemn hoping  
you may be for pall it by as to Let me Remain under your  
Care from your friend Joseph Nufsole

This Meeting not being fully Satisfied to accept of Wm  
Sandford's & Tho: Wilcox's paper therefore the matter  
Respecting them is Refer'd to next me meeting under the  
same friends Care as heretofore and then they to Report

Edward Taber hath Given in a paper to this meeting Concerning  
his marring out of the Unity of friends and Requests to  
be Received into Unity again therefore James Davis and John  
Williams are Appointed to take an Opportunity of Solid Conference  
with him in order to Discover his Sincerity and make Report  
next me meeting

Philip Allen Reports he hath Informed Nathaniel Kirby  
of his Denial as ordered but Clerk not having read his Denial  
he is Continued for that Denial and to Report next me meeting

Joseph Gifford and Wm Barker Report they attended the  
marriage of Benj: Howland's & Mary Howland and saw  
nothing but that it was Conformed orderly

This meeting sign'd a Certificate for Mary Howland to the  
me meeting at the Nine partners

The Women Inform they have Received into membership  
Lilis Macomber which this meeting Consents with

The friends Appointed to Draw Certificates for John South  
and Gilbert Howland Report that things are not fully  
Clear in Regard to P. Smith they are still Continued and  
to advise him as they think proper and Report next  
me meeting

Wm. Kelsey  
Denial

Case of  
Wm. Sandford  
and  
Tho: Wilcox  
report

Edw. Taber  
request

Philip Allen  
in form  
of Denial

Ben Howland  
Lilis  
marriage

Mary  
Howland  
Certificate

Lilis  
Macomber  
Reception

John South  
Gilbert  
Howland  
Certificates  
report

and they have prepared a Certificate for Gilbert Howland and  
brought which was sign'd in this meeting

Benja Howland 2<sup>d</sup> hath given in an Account to this meeting  
for keeping of the amount of £4-14-8d owing  
which is allowed and the Treasurer is order'd to pay the  
same and Report next me meeting

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Joseph Nufsole for Paper  
Bury - 2-8 - 1/2 agreeable to his appointed some time past  
Collected - £-14-3

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1777  
The Representatives are Benja Taber & Joseph Tucker 2<sup>d</sup> present  
The matter Respecting an additional Choice of Overseer is  
being Consider'd in this meeting and not finding any willing to  
accept of the matter is Dismiss'd

The Committee appointed on account of Thos Wilcox and Wm  
Sandford's Report that P. Wilcox gave them no satisfaction  
therefore we hereby Disown the P. Thos Wilcox form under  
our Care P. Sandford give the Committee some Satisfaction  
therefore P. Committee is still Continued and Nathaniel Howland  
is order'd to draw a testimony against P. Wilcox and bring to next me  
meeting Likewise Inform him of his Denial

The Committee appointed on account of Edward Taber  
Report that they have received a degree of Satisfaction, Therefore we conclude  
to except of said Taber under our Care

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony against Nathaniel  
Kirby as ordered. Said Testimony is as followeth

11 Month 1777

Testimony against  
Philip Allen  
Report

Ben Howland  
Account  
for keep  
of the  
money

12 Month 1777

Thos Wilcox  
and  
Wm Sandford's  
Case report

Edw. Taber  
Report

Thos Kirby  
Denial read

inserted here  
from page 378



12 month  
1777

Testimony  
against  
Thomas  
Hewson

Whereas Jonathan Hewson hath made profession with us as a member of our Society, but hath so far departed therefrom as to marry out of Society & for the same being seriously cautioned and also fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by his wife having a child says manage therefore the matter being committed to a private Society for the same do give this forth as a publick testimony against him for his Disowning the said Jonathan Hewson from being a member of our Society with the same Repentance & Acknowledgement of the Lord of his Count he shall be allowed to the way of Truth given forth at our meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1777 Signed in & by order of the Society by  
Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Testimony  
against  
R. A.  
Hewson  
Recorded  
in page 320

Whereas Ralph Allen son of Benjamin Allen & Allaphal his wife having had a Birthright among friends but hath so far departed therefrom as to marry out of Society & for the same being seriously cautioned and also fallen into the sin of fornication as appears by his wife having a child says manage therefore the matter being committed to a private Society for the same do give this forth as a publick denial against him & do hereby disown him the said Ralph Allen from being under a member of our Society & from under the care of this meeting to give forth the sign in & on behalf of our meeting held in Dartmouth the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1777  
By Wm Anthony Jr Clerk

Certificate  
for J. Smith  
not accomplish  
ed

The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for John Smith hath not accomplished that service and we are still continued for that service and make report when ready

B. Howland  
Paid

The Treasurer Reports that he hath paid Benjamin Howland the money as ordered the last Monthly meeting

A. Gifford's  
Request  
about B. Devol  
and Seth  
Huddlestone

We received a paper from Abiel Gifford requesting his Children to be taken under friends care. Also one from John Duval requesting to come under friends care and his son also. Likewise one from Seth Huddlestone requesting to come under friends care with his Children, therefore we appoint Joseph Barber, Thomas Hicks, Benjamin Reiter and William Mosher, to take an opportunity of conference with said Petitioners in order to discover their Sincerity, and whether said request be from the bottom of true Conviction, and make report when ready.

Certificate  
for W. Howland  
Received

We received a Certificate for Nicholas Howland from Cohasset meeting

M. Lapham  
of Nicholas  
Lapham  
Received

The Women friends Inform they have received Mary Lapham, Wife of Nicholas Lapham under their care which we concur with

adjourned  
mett

This meeting Collected L<sup>s</sup> 3-13-3  
This Meeting mett by adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of 12 month 1777  
The Representatives being called, both present

Queries asked  
Friend's app  
ointed to  
Quarterly  
meeting  
next Monthly  
meeting

The Queries were answered in this meeting. And an Epistle signed for the Quarterly meeting, and forwarded by our Representatives to said Quarterly meeting. Who are William Mosher, William Anthony Jr, Caleb Russell and Gideon Howland; and they to make report to the next Monthly meeting

W. Anthony's  
his Bill

William Anthony Jr gave in a bill for keeping Alice Smith from the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1777 which is six months; as by agreement with the Overseers of the poor; To the amount of £ 5-18-6. Which is approved, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same, and report to next Monthly meeting

1 month  
1778

Report of a Com  
mittee on Wm  
Sanford

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1778  
The Representatives are Benjamin Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> and John Williams Present

The Committee appointed on the case of Thomas Wilcox and William Sanford Jun<sup>r</sup>, make report that the matter not being fully settled, in regard of Sanford's desirous to be continued, therefore referred to next Monthly meeting, under their care. Who are then to make report. They also make report that they have fulfilled their appointment respecting said Wilcox and have drafted a paper of Denial against him, which, after being read, and considered, and thined by the Clerk, who is ordered to read the same as usual, and make report to our next monthly meeting

Return of friend  
from Quarterly  
meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meetings, report that they all attended except Caleb Russell, who gave a reasonable excuse. They also produced an Epistle from said meeting which was read and kindly accepted

W. Anthony's  
Bill not paid

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid the money to William Anthony as ordered; therefore he is continued to pay the same, and report to the next Monthly meeting

Certificate for  
C. Howland

Cornelius Howland Informed this meeting that he had some expectation of going to Sea, and desired a Certificate, which was granted, and one being present was signed by the Clerk

C. Peckham  
Disowned

The Women friends Inform they have deneged Katurah Peckham which this meeting concurs with

Samuel Gifford  
request his  
marriage

Samuel Gifford and Lillis Maccomber declared their intentions of taking each other in Marriage; and were desired to wait till the next Monthly Meeting for their answer; and Paul Prince Allen and Nicholas Howland are appointed to Inquire into the young mans Clearance and to make report next monthly meeting

N. Lapham  
request for his  
Children

Nicholas Lapham request's that his Children may be taken under the care of this Meeting; therefore William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and Thomas Hicks are appointed to take the needful care in that case and make report to next monthly meeting

C. Russell and  
Dwelling

This meeting Collected L<sup>s</sup> 2-16-3  
Timothy Russell hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his Purchasing some Prize goods; But as he hath some time past Lett out his house for the use of Hospital, to Inoculate the Small Pox in, after being advised to the contrary; which hath given uneasiness to divers friends. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Tabor, William Mosher and Samuel Smith, to have conference with him in those matters and give in their report and Judgment, there upon to the next Monthly meeting

2 month  
1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1778  
The Representatives are William Barker and Benjamin Tabor Present

Report of the  
Committee for  
J. Devol, Seth  
Huddlestone  
and A. Gifford

The Committee appointed to have a conference with John Duval, Seth Huddlestone and their Children, and Abiel Gifford's children, report that they have fulfilled their appointment, and have found good satisfaction, therefore they are all accepted to be under friends care the name of John Devol's child is Job. Seth Huddlestone's Children names are Sarah and Lavinah, and Abiel Gifford's children's names are Levi, Lillie, Gilbert, John, Jeremiah, Abiel and Joanna

The case of  
Wm Sanford Jun<sup>r</sup>  
request

The committee appointed on account of William Sanford Jun<sup>r</sup> desire that matter referred, therefore it is referred under their care and they to report next Monthly meeting



2<sup>nd</sup> month 1778 The Clerk Reports he hath not read Thomas Wilcox's Denial as ordered therefore he is continued to accomplish the same and report to next Monthly Meeting

W. Wilcox's Denial not read W. Anthony's Denial read The Treasurer reports he has paid William Anthony for the money ordered last Monthly Meeting

The friends appointed to Enquire into Samuel Gifford's clearing Respecting marriage report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding in marriage

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Nicholas Lapham's children being taken under the care of friends desire it to be refered therefore said matter is refered to next Monthly meeting

Samuel Gifford and Lillis Macomber appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed in marriage in some convenient time between now and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends, that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, and Nicholas Howland and Prince Allen are appointed to see their said marriage solemnized and to make report next monthly meeting

Joseph Rotch Requests a removal Certificate to the Monthly Meeting at Nantucket, therefore this meeting appoints James Davis and Seth Ruppel to take the necessary care on that account, and bring one to next monthly meeting if they think proper

The matter respecting Timothy Ruppel is refered to next monthly meeting for further consideration This meeting collected 2-8-5

The Quarterly Meeting's Committee that was appointed to visit and advise this meeting on account of Isaac Howland's freeing his Negro's have given in the following advice: which is accepted, and that matter is dismissed, and this Meeting's Committee discharged there from

The advice of the Quarterly meeting's Committee is as followeth We whose names are hereto subscribed, being a Committee to advise the Monthly meeting of Dartmouth, Respecting a matter of Isaac Howland's being concerned with a Negro, &c. Having had an opportunity with him and said monthly meeting's Committee and considered the case, Look upon it that there is at least an appearance of weakening our Testimony against Slavery in his Conduct. Therefore think well of the case of said meeting in the case; yet we have learnt by direct inquiry, he had no such intent, But rather acted from a Benevolent purpose, and has manumitted said Negroe, therefore we advise said meeting to drop that matter

Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1778

- Thazard son of Robert
- Joshua David
- Moses Faroum
- Benja Buffinton
- David Steere
- Oziel Wilkinson

Their advice to monthly meeting

Quarterly meeting Com<sup>tee</sup> visit Isaac Howland

The case of Ruppel refered

Joseph Rotch request a Certificate

Samuel Gifford and Lillis Macomber answer

Nicholas Lapham request refered

Respect marriage clear

Denial not read

2<sup>nd</sup> month 1778

3<sup>rd</sup> month 1778 At a monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are Dea Gifford and Benjamin Southwick present

The Committee appointed in the case of William Shepard to Report that he hath given them a degree of satisfaction, therefore the Paper he gave in to this meeting, condemning his purchasing Prize goods is accepted provided he cause the same publicly to be read as usual and return said paper to next monthly meeting

The Clerk reports he hath read the paper of denial against Thomas Wilcox according to appointment... Which is as followeth

Whereas Thomas Wilcox hath through unweariedness so far deviated from the Principles of Truth, as to violate gods, take by violence and War, And after due Admonition, his not condemning the same the satisfaction of this Meeting; Therefore we give this faith as a publick Testimony against him, denying him the right of membership with us; With desire that he may by sincere repentance, be brought in a slight and sense of his past life, and come to the fold of the Just, with a sincere heart Given forth at our Monthly Meeting, held at Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1778 pr William Anthony, Clerk

The matter in regard to Nicholas Lapham's Children is refered to next Monthly meeting

The friends appointed to oversee the Marriage of Samuel Gifford and Lillis Macomber, report that they attended the marriage and that it was orderly accomplished

The friends appointed in respect of Joseph Rotch's Certificate, signify they have not accomplished said appointment, therefore it is refered to next monthly meeting and they continued for that service

Timothy Ruppel hath appeared in person in this Meeting and hath so far condemned his Conduct in letting out his house to Inoculate the Small Pox in, as this Meeting takes up with for satisfaction... This meeting also concludes to accept of his paper Condemning his purchasing Prize goods provided he cause the same to be publicly read as usual and return it to next monthly meeting

David Shepard, and his son David each request a removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at Smithfield for themselves and Children under age they being next to remove thither, therefore Benjamin Taber, James Davis, Caleb Ruppel, and William Shepard are appointed to inquire into their Circumstances and to draw a Certificate for them if they think proper after due inquiry is made, and make reports and bring them to next monthly meeting

Certificates for John Allen and Paul Cornel directed to the Monthly Meeting at the New-ports were signed in this meeting, they being about to take their journey within the compass of said meeting

James Cornel hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting to come into Unity with us against being free to Condemn his misconduct, in receiving out of the Unity of Friends, and in paying money toward the support of War; therefore William Mosher and Abel Gifford are appointed to have a publick conference with him, in order to know his sincerity and to make Report next monthly meeting

This meeting collected 22-11-7 This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> instant after the Meeting of Worship which is to begin at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour

This Meeting met by adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1778 The Representatives being called, both present The Meeting is informed that Caleb Hathway hath so far gone out from the Order of Truth and friends, as to forsake our meetings and follow separate meetings that are held out of the true duty of our society And

3<sup>rd</sup> month 1778

W. Shepard's paper accept.

W. Wilcox's Denial

Nicholas Lapham request refered

Report of Gifford marriage

Joseph Rotch request Certificate refered

Timothy Ruppel condemns his mis conduct

David Shepard son request a removal Certificate

Certificates for John Allen and Paul Cornel signed

James Cornel request

adjourn

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Complaint against Hathway



3 month  
1778

And he having been treated with on that account, but still persists in his said disorder, therefore this meeting appoints William Barker, Joseph Tucker and Benjamin Fales to Labour further with him and make Report next Monthly meeting

Queries and Epistles read and ordered forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are James Davis, Eileen Howland, William Anthony Jr and Abiel Gifford and they to report next Monthly meeting

The Queries have been Read and answered in this Meeting and an Epistle signed and ordered forward to the Quarterly Meeting by our Representatives, who are James Davis, Eileen Howland, William Anthony Jr and Abiel Gifford and they to report next Monthly meeting

Womens Meeting

Whereas George Moom and Josias Moom sons of Charles Moom deceased, having a Birthright amongst by Virtue of their Parents marriage among us, but they having long time removed out of the compass of this meeting without any recommendation to any other or request any, and this Meeting being informed by the Monthly meeting of Greenwich, that they have Lived widely from the way of Truth and friends, particularly being Remarkable for a Light unsteady behavior, and not attending meetings, therefore this meeting doth disown the said George and Josias Moom from a right of membership among us

4 month  
1778

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1778 The Representatives Benjamin Fales and Abiel Gifford, Present

W Sanford

William Sanford Jr not having read his Paper by reason as his said wife not being well it is therefore referred to next monthly meeting on the same condition as before

N Lapham request

The matter Respecting Nicholas Laphams Children is refered to next monthly meeting, and the same friends continued in that service and then to make report

Certificate for R. Shepley

A Removal Certificate for our friend Joseph Ratch and wife to the Monthly meeting of Nantucket was signed in this meeting by the Clerk Timothy Russell having been read and returned to this meeting is accepted. Said Paper is as followeth

Timothy Russell

To the Monthly Meeting of friends held in Sponaganset on the 15<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> mo. 1777

Timothy Russell

Respected friends I some time ago Purchased some Drift goods which I am now sorry for, and do condemn the same, hoping for some time to come may be more careful of dealing with such goods; therefore I desire that friends may pass by this offence and let me remain under their care as before

Timothy Russell

From your well wishing friend - - Timothy Russell

Certificate for B. Shepard

A Removal Certificate for David Shepard Sr his Wife and two Children to the Monthly meeting of Smithfield was signed in this meeting

D. Shepley

But the friends that were appointed; not having prepared a Certificate for David Shepley Senior, they are still continued for that service and to make report next monthly meeting

S. Cornell

The Committee appointed to confer with James Cornell on his request to come under friends care, make a satisfactory report, therefore he is accepted as a member of this meeting

C Hathway

The Committee appointed to Labour with Caleb Hathway make report that they have treated with him, but have not obtained the desired Effect to their satisfaction, but yet they desire said matter continued, which is accordingly refered to next monthly meeting and then they to make Report

The report of B. Shepley

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting report they attended according to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the meeting of Sufferings which containing much good Advice, was Recommended to Friends, particularly Notice

4 month  
1778

This meeting is informed that Benjamin Tucker hath married out of the Unity of friends, after being previously cautioned, and advised to desist; therefore he is hereby disowned from being a member of this meeting. And William Mosher is appointed to inform him thereof and Report to next Monthly meeting

David received

The Women friends Inform that they have received into Unity Mary Davil wife of John Davil, which this meeting concurs with

Time of meeting to begin

This Meeting Concludes that all our Meetings Begin at the Eleventh hour for the ensuing Six months, Except at Bedford, and there to begin as usual especially they have done

5 month  
1778

This Meeting Collected L2. 4. 7 1/2

W Sanford

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are Seth Ruspel and Samuel Smith Present

W Sanford

William Sanford Jr his paper having been read and returned, therefore he is accepted by this meeting

W Sanford

A Removal Certificate for David Shepard his Wife and Children under age, dedicated to the Monthly Meeting of Smithfield was signed in this Meeting

W Sanford

William Sanford Jr Paper which he gave in to the meeting was presented to the Monthly meeting of friends to be holden in Dartmouth at pomegan the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1777

C Hathway

Those Lines comes to Inform you that I have Purchased Price goods so called; for which I am sorry for the same, and am free to Condemn the same; and desire friends would pass by my offence, and let me remain under their care, and I hope to be more careful for the future

C Hathway

The Committee appointed in the case of Caleb Hathway not being fully satisfied in that matter do therefore request it still continued, it is therefore refered to next Monthly Meeting, and said Committee yet continued, and desired to make return to said next Monthly meeting

B. Tucker

William Mosher not having informed Benjamin Tucker of his denial he is therefore continued for that service and to report to next Monthly meeting

Report of Bedford meetings

The friends appointed to oversee the meeting at Bedford (not being called upon last Monthly meeting) have now given in their reports, that they have attended the same which hath been kept up decently and in a good order as usually they have been heretofore

Certificates for N Howland

Removal Certificate for Naomi Howland Rebeckahs Daughter with Rebecca Smith wife of Daniel Smith with their Children except the youngest directed to the Monthly meeting of the nine partners were signed in this meeting

N Howland

This Meeting in Concurrence with the Womens Meeting doth accept of Nicholas Laphams Children as Members of this meeting

R Allen's wife

This meeting is Informed that Robert Allen hath married out of the Unity of friends, after being precautioned by friends; this meeting therefore doth hereby deny him from having a right of membership with us: And the Women friends Inform that they have denied Easter Allen new wife of said Robert Allen which this meeting concurs with, and Seth Ruspel is appointed to inform said Robert Allen of his denial, and to make report next Monthly Meeting

H Woodman

The Women friends Likewise Inform they have denied Hannah Woodman wife of Robert Woodman, which this meeting doth also concur with

J. Winkles Intention of marriage

Jonathan Winkles Jr and Brophaba Russell, declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage, in this meeting, and were desired to wait until the next Monthly meeting for their answer. They having



5<sup>th</sup> month 1778 They having first obtained Consent of Parents and produced the same in Writing to this meeting Our friends Samuel Smith and Thomas Hicks are appointed to settle with the Treasurer and make report next Monthly Meeting This meeting Collected £2-19-5<sup>2</sup>

W Anthony Bill for keeping Alice Smith 26 weeks Ending the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month last at 4/8<sup>per</sup> week which amounts to £1-6-4 Silver money which is allowed, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same in such manner and in such currency as the Overseers of the poor hath Contracted and directed

6<sup>th</sup> month 1778 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1778 Seth Russell and Thomas Hicks are Representatives, both Present Prince Allen is appointed Clerk for this Day

George Folger proposed his Intention of Marriage with Rebecca Locum and were desired to wait Till next Monthly meeting for their answer. Also Sylvanus Folger, and Azis Locum proposed their Intentions of Marriage, and were desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for their Answer

This meeting Adjourns to next second Day and This Meeting mett by Adjournment the 22<sup>nd</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1778

The Representatives being called both Present William Mosher makes report he hath Informed Benjamin Tucker of his denial according to appointment. Seth Russell also Reports he hath Informed Robert Allen of his Denial, according to appointment

The Committee appointed to Treat with Caleb Hathway, Report that they have had a conference with him but he gave them but little satisfaction, do request said matter yet continued which is accordingly and the same Committee continued in that service. And Joseph Gifford, Caleb Russell and Adam Gifford are aded to them, and to make report next monthly meeting. And if in case said Hathway still persists in his disorder, said Committee is directed to Draw up a Testimony against him and bring it to next monthly meeting

Jonathan Soule hath produced a Certificate from Accoakret Meeting Certificate Certifying his Cleanness respecting Marriage, and Conversation

Our Beloved Friends Aaron Lancaster and David Sands attended this meeting with their Certificates, the first from the Monthly meeting held at the Oblong the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1778. The Latter from the Monthly meeting held at the Nine Partners, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1778 Which being read to Satisfaction: Their Visit and Testimony in the Service of the Gospel was well accepted. And William Anthony Sr appointed and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting

Jonathan Soule and Berstaba Russell appeared for their answers Which was that they might Proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some convenient time, between this and next Monthly meeting, advising with the Friends that this meeting shall appoint for that purpose, who are Samuel Smith and Thomas Hicks and they to see their marriage solemnized orderly and make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed, at our Last Monthly meeting to settle accounts with the Treasurer not having fulfilled their appointment they are referred

6<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Women Friends Inform they Received into Memberships Elizabeth Johnson Wife of James Johnson, with their two Daughters with this meeting Consens with

Joseph Roche having Returned the Certificate, that this meeting gave, for himself and wife, But his removing at present being obstructed and his said wife having already removed this meeting signed a Certificate for his said Wife, and have omitted his own at present

Elizabeth Hathway hath produced a removal Certificate for herself and four of her Children Namely Jonak, Lydia, Mary, and George which was Read and accepted, together with a removal Certificate for Elizabeth Hathway Sr. which is also accepted

This meeting Collected. £4-15-5 in Paper money And - - - - - 0-16-0 in Silver money

This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after the meeting of next Day

This Meeting mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives being called both Present

Certificates for our friends Aaron Lancaster and David Sands were signed in this meeting and Directed to the Monthly meetings where they belong

The Queries were Answered and an Epistle signed to the Quarterly meeting Signed and Ordered forward to said Quarterly Meeting by the Representatives, Who are Caleb Russell, William Mosher, Seth Russell and Abiel Gifford, and they to report next Monthly Meeting

Anna Gifford Informed this meeting that she hath thought of attending Sandwich Quarterly meeting next to be at Falmouth, and this meeting after Considering thereof do Consens therewith; Her publick Testimony being approved off with us, And the Clerks is ordered to give her a Copy of this minnute

7<sup>th</sup> month 1778 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 26<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are James Davis and Benjamin Taber, Present Received Certificates for George Folger Sr and Sylvanus Folger setting forth their cleanness respecting Marriage

George Folger Sr with Rebecca Locum; And Sylvanus Folger with Azis Locum appeared for their Answers; Which was that each Couple might proceed to take each other in Marriage in some convenient time between this and next Monthly Meeting, Advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint who are William Sanford, William Barker, Prince Allen and Joseph Barker, and they to see said Marriage solemnized orderly and make report next Monthly meeting

one of the friends appointed Last monthly meeting to oversee the marriage of Jonathan Soule Sr and Berstaba Russell make report that he attended said Marriage which was as orderly as usual the other friend did not attend by Reason he was at the Quarterly Meeting, But William Anthony Sr made report that he attended in the room of the other said friend, and that it was accomplished orderly

The committee appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer reports they have answered their appointment and there remains in the Book after all is Paid that this meeting hath already given order for Viz. in Silver money £5-8-11 in Paper money £3-2-5



7<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Committee that had the care of that matter Respecting Caleb Hathway report that they have had an opportunity of conference with him and he gave them little or no satisfaction: Therefore, We hereby Disown the said Hathway from being under our care: And a publick Testimony being signed in this meeting against him by the Clerk, who is to order to Read the same Publickly in our Usual manner and make report thereof to next Monthly meeting; and Seth Russell is orderd to Inform him of his Denial and report to next months meeting

Report from our Yearly meeting, Epistles Received The Representatives being Called upon, Report they all attended except Caleb Russell, who hath rendered his reason for not attending which hath been accepted. And they have produced an Epistle from the said Quarterly meeting which was Read: together with Epistles from London, Yearly meeting, from the General Spring meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Philadelphia, and one from our Last Yearly Meeting all of which have been read: And as they contain, much good and wholesome advice Friends are earnestly desired to observe and deliberately consider the same. And as there is a considerable number of those London Epistles they are distributed among friends families

Rules and orders received by our Boundaries between our monthly meetings Our said Quarterly Meeting hath Communicated to us several Rules and Orders Enclued upon at our Last Yearly meeting Respecting our discipline Also the Settlement of the boundaries between Swanzey Monthly meeting and this. And likewise, an alteration of the Boundaries betwixt this Monthly meeting and Accoakset: all of which the Clerk is ordered to Record in their proper place

four dollars to be paid to P. Gifford The Treasurer is Orderd to pay Peleg Gifford four Silver Dollars for its. Equivalent in paper for keeping the Meeting house half a year This Meeting Collected in Paper money 2-16-9 out of which was paid to Caleb Russell for shoeing horses 2-3-6 Remains in Paper --- 0-13-3 Collected in silver money -- 0-9-4

The Paper respecting the Settlement of the Boundary Lines between the aforesaid Monthly Meetings, is as followeth

To the Quarterly meeting of Friends to be held at East Greenwich for Rhode Island

Settlement of the Boundaries between the Monthly Meetings We the Committee appointed to Revise and settle the Boundaries between Rhode Island, Swanzey, Dartmouth, and Accoakset Monthly Meetings, having received the same; and that there is some Inhabitants Live between Swanzey and Dartmouth Monthly meetings, That it is not easy to determine, to what Monthly meeting they belong: Therefore, We have concluded that the dividing line between said Monthly meetings run in the following manner (viz) That all those friends Living in Freetown to the Northward of Fallriver, and Dartmouth belonging to this Quarterly meeting; shall belong to Swanzey Monthly meeting

alteration of our Meetings We also, with the concurrence of Dartmouth and Accoakset Monthly Meetings, make the following alteration in the boundaries between said Meetings, (viz) Beginning in the Old line, at the Northeast corner of bounds of James Sands Land, from thence a North line till it comes to Freetown Line. Nevertheless we submit it to the Quarterly meeting

2 month 14<sup>th</sup> day 1778 Philip Tripp Thomas Elder William Anthony Junr Theophilus Howe Junr

8<sup>th</sup> month 1778 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and John Deuss both Present

Report of the Friends appointed to attend the marriage of George Folger and Rebecca Naum, and Sylvanus Tabor and Avis Naum, have made report that they attended said Marriages, and that they were orderly solemnized

Testimony of the Friends appointed to attend the marriage of George Folger and Rebecca Naum, have made report that they attended said Marriages, and that they were orderly solemnized

Report hath been made that the Testimony against Caleb Hathway hath been read as ordered and that Seth Russell hath Informed said Hathway of his Denial agreeable to appointment

Received a Copy of the Testimony Given forth by our Last Yearly meeting against a Pamphlet on Taxation, &c. Which hath been Read in this meeting agreeable to the direction of said yearly meeting said Testimony is as followeth

A Testimony Given forth from our Yearly Meeting held at Smithfield from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month Inclusive 1778 for New England

Whereas a Piece in Manuscript, upon the Subject of Taxation &c. Was written by a Member of our Society, and came under Consideration of our meeting for suffering, before the Author was known, and some matter contained therein being altogether disagreeable to friends, and inconsistent with our Religious Testimony; Inquiry was made, an endeavour used to prevent the publication, or spreading thereof without the desired Effect but the same with some additions, and alteration, was published, under the Title of "A Letter from a friend, to some of his Beloved friends" contrary to the good Order of our Society, and the encouragement received from the Author. And the matter being laid before this meeting And wittily Considered, We are constrained to give forth our Testimony against the said Piece, and the spirit it breaths to the reader, as tending to Leaven the minds of friends with the spirit of the World, and to bring those who pay attention to Religious Scripples under suffering and introducing, discord, and divisions amongst friends, as well as settling matter disagreeable to our Practices, and testimony as a people. And also against the manner in which it was published to the World, being inconsistent with a rule, long since laid down and consented to by our Society Signed in and by order of our said yearly Meeting By Thomas Larkin Clerk this time

Copy The Treasurer not having paid Peleg Gifford the money as ordered Last Monthly Meeting, he is therefore still directed to pay the same and make report next monthly meeting



2<sup>th</sup> month 1778. A Removal Certificate for Joseph Notch directed to the Monthly meeting on Nantucket was signed by the Clerk he having Remov'd thither

Gideon Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting Condemning his buying a Ticket in a Lottery, which this meeting accepts. This meeting hath signed and sent a few lines to the monthly Meeting of Swazey, Informing them that Edward Thurston Sen<sup>r</sup> his wife and their Children are deemed as Members of our Society and are within the bounds of that meeting as now settled.

A new Choice of Overseers is Refer'd to next Monthly meeting and those that have stood as such the year past, are Continued until next Monthly meeting

The Women friends inform they have denied Rebecca Thresher Wife of Samuel Thresher and Abigail Wanton wife of John Wanton which this meeting concurs with

A Removal Certificate for Nancy Howland wife of Job Howland with Rebecca her Daughter, was signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly Meeting at East Hoosuck. This meeting Collected £4.1.9 in paper money. Collected 0.3.3 in Silver money

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1778 The Representatives being called Joseph Tucker Sen<sup>r</sup> present Abraham Howland not present by reason of sickness

Deleg Gifford hath informed this meeting that the Treasurer hath paid him the money as ordered, the said Treasurer not being present at this time

A new choice of overseers is refer'd to next monthly meeting and the former ones are still continued in that service, and Abiel Gifford is aded to them

This meeting doth Conclude to discontinue all our Week day meetings on the same Week our Quarterly meetings is to be held in

Elijah Gifford hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting for himself and Children to be taken under the care of friends therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hicks, Nicholas Howland and William Barker, to take an opportunity of sould conferences with him and Endeavour to find the motive of his request, and make report next Monthly meeting

John Allen hath given a paper to this Meeting condemning his being concern'd in a Lottery and Likewise hath verbally Expressed himself in this Meeting, Signifying his sorrow in regard to said matter which this Meeting accepts for satisfaction

The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle sould for the Quarterly meeting and order'd forward to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are William Barker, Caleb Russell and Joseph Barker and they to report next monthly meeting

This Meeting being inform'd that Elisha Mosher being carried away Prisoner by the British Troops, therefore we appoint Seth Russell, James Davis and Abiel Gifford to confer with the meeting of Sufferings in order to procure his relief as they shall think proper

Certificate for Joseph Notch signed by the Clerk he having Remov'd thither

Overseers referred

Rebecca Thresher & Abigail Wanton Disowned

Certificate for Nancy Howland signed

3<sup>rd</sup> month 1778

Gifford paid

Choosing Overseers referred

meetings omitted

E Gifford Request

J Allens paper accepted

Queries on Epistle signed & Representatives appointed

E Mosher taken prisoner

The Overseer Inform that Lamsil Mosher hath so far gone contrary to our Profession, as to drop some bad Expressions in the manner of Swearing and other obscuring Language, and said overseer hath Laboured with him therefor and he having Cadenm'd said expressions to those that heard them yet declines to Cadenm them Publicly to the satisfaction of this Meeting therefore we appoint Benjamin Howland Sen<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Taber and Joseph Tucker Sen<sup>r</sup> to Labour with him as they may think proper and Report next Monthly meeting

A Certificate for Elisha Mosher who was carried away Prisoner was signed in this meeting directed to the Meeting of Sufferings, Informing them of his being a member of our meeting and Clerk in regard to military matters

This Meeting Collected in Silver money 1.5.3 Collected in Paper money 2.11.7

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are William Barker and John Williams - Present

A new Choice of Overseers is still refer'd to next Monthly meeting and those that have been in that service continued till a new choice

The friends appointed to confer with Elisha Gifford on his request, Report that for want of a convenient opportunity they have not fulfilled their appointment, they are therefore continued in said service, and to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to treat with Lamsil Mosher report they have not fulfilled their appointment, one of them being sick they are therefore continued in said service, and Joseph Gifford is added to them and may to make report next Monthly meeting

The time of the appointment of overseers of the poor being expired they are now again continued in that service until a new choice is made

This meeting having Concluded to make a new choice of Friends to have the care of our Sundry Ground, who shall be Interr'd therein that are not members of the Society, and who not - Who are William Sanford, William Barker and Joseph Tucker Sen<sup>r</sup> and also William Mosher Benjamin Rider and John Devoe for Newtown

This Meeting also appoints Nicholas Howland and Thomas Hicks, to have the care of our old meeting house and Land and to keep the fences in repair

This meeting appoints the following friends as Trustees to take Deeds of this meeting, Land the former ones being some of them Deceased (W<sup>ch</sup>) William Mosher, Samuel Smith, William Anthony Sen<sup>r</sup> and Joseph Tucker Sen<sup>r</sup>

Charles Russell requests a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck, therefore Benjamin Smith Sen<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith are appointed to make due inquiry into his Circumstances, and draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to the next Monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate for John Smith, son of Isaac deane was signed in this meeting directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck he having removed thither

William Anthony Sen<sup>r</sup> hath given in an account to this Meeting for keeping Alice Smith from the 28<sup>th</sup> of the fourth month Last to the 2<sup>th</sup> Instant including 26 weeks at Twenty eight shillings per week old Tenor Silver money and to be paid in Silver or its Equivalent in Paper money which this meeting orders paid accordingly. The amount thereof is £26.8 in Silver old Tenor

2<sup>th</sup> month 1778

Certificate for Elisha Mosher

10<sup>th</sup> month 1778

Overseers referred

E Gifford Report

Mosher Report

Overseers of the poor continued

Friends appointed to order the burying ground

Howland & Hicks to oversee the meet Round the house

Trustees to the Deeds appointed

Russell request certificate

Certificate for John Smith signed

W Anthony Senr's Bill

Ordered to be paid



10<sup>th</sup> month 1778 This Meeting concludes that all our meetings begin at the Eleventh Hour. for the year ensuing except at Bedford and that some meetings begin as usually they have done

Benjamin Taber is appointed Treasurer in the Room of <sup>the</sup> said pointed friend Prince Allen deceased: for the year ensuing And Samuel Smith and Thomas Hicks are appointed to settle Accounts with the Heirs of the former Treasurers deceased and make Report next Monthly meeting  
This meeting Collected in Silver - 0-5-00  
Collected in Paper money 2-13-10

At A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> Month 1778 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Joseph Barker - Present  
A New choice of Overseers is again refer'd to next Monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to confer with Elijah Gifford and family accepted (detained by sickness) and found a degree of Satisfaction and Sincerity among them. Therefore this meeting accepts of said Elijah Gifford and Children to be under the care of this meeting  
The Women friends also inform they have accepted Deborah Gifford the wife of the said Elijah Gifford which this meeting concurs with

Caleb Russell, Gideon Howland, Benjamin Howland, Samuel Smith and George Smith are Chosen Overseers of the poor for the year ensuing  
The friends appointed to Treat with Samuel Mosher, gave in their Report, which was in degree Satisfactory, and he hath given in a paper accepted to this meeting (condemning his misconduct, which this meeting accepts provided he cause the same to be read Publicly as usual, and return said paper to next Monthly meeting

The Friend appointed to settle accounts with the Heirs of the former Treasurer report, that they have not fully accomplished the same, they are therefore continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, Benjamin Howland and William Anthony are appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings Minutes in order for their go on Record and to make report next monthly meeting

Shoaman Crow having removed within the bounds of accoachset Meeting without giving notice thereof to this meeting. We therefore signed and sent a few lines to Inform the said meeting at accoachset of his Removal

This Meeting sided a Certificate for Benjamin Ricketson son of William Ricketson to the Monthly meeting of East Hoosuck, as he is a going thither to settle his outward affairs

John Russell informs this meeting that he is about to Remove to East Hoosuck and desires a Certificate therefore Benjamin Smith and Gideon Howland are appointed to draw one for him if they think Proper, and bring it to next Monthly meeting

This Meeting hath signed a Certificate directed to the Monthly Meeting at East Hoosuck and Saratoga. For Charles Russell his wife Rebecca and Little daughter Amie they having Removed thither to dwell

This Meeting is Informed that Abraham Howland is both married out of the Unity of friends, after being precautioned by friends, therefore he is disowned from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting, and Benjamin Smith is appointed to Inform him thereof

The Overseers Inform that John Akin hath appeared in bearing of Arms and hath been Treated with by friends but declines to condemn the same therefore John Williams and Joseph Tucker is to Treat further with him on that account, and also on account of his Neglecting to attend our Meeting and to make report next Monthly meeting

This meeting Collected in Silver money - 0-9-00  
Collected in paper money - 4-5-00

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1778 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and Seth Huddleston - Present

We appointed our friends Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Taber, Benjamin Smith, Seth Huddleston, Joseph Barker, William Anthony and William Drake Overseers for the year ensuing

Samuel Mosher's Paper having been Read agreeable to the direction of last monthly meeting and returned the same to this meeting, which is accepted and is as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held at Dartmouth 10<sup>th</sup> March 1778 Whereas, some time past I get into a Passion so far as to drop some bad Expressions in the manner of Swearing: For which I am heartily sorry and do condemn, And desire Friends so far to pass it by as to let me Remain under their Care  
Samuel Mosher

The Friends appointed to settle accounts with Heirs of the former Treasurers Report they have fulfilled their appointment, and have settled accounts down to the 3<sup>rd</sup> month last Inclusive, and remain in the stock 5-15-00 in paper money and 5-15-10 in Silver money

The friends appointed to Revise and correct this meetings minutes, report they have fulfilled said appointment and left them with Clerk to be recorded

The friends Chosen to draw a Certificate for John Russell and to insert into his Cleanse Report, they have not fulfilled said appointment in full, they are therefore Continued in said service, and Abraham Howland is added to them, and they to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Labour with John Akin's report, they have not accomplished said appointment for want of an opportunity, they are also continued in the same service and to make their report to next Monthly meeting

Our Certificate in favour of Edward Thurston and his family directed to Swaney monthly meeting being returned back to this meeting, therefore we appoint Thomas Hicks, Samuel Smith and William Anthony to consider what be necessary for this meeting to act further in that matter and make Report to next monthly meeting



12 month This meeting hath signed and sent a Certificate to the monthly meeting at Pembroke for Eliahin Mosher a young son of Joanna Mosher he being about to go as an apprentice there

Certificate for Mosher This meeting Collected 5-3-4 in paper money 8-13-2 1/2 in Silver money

money de There was delivered to the Present Treasurer the sum of 5-15-6 in Paper money and 1-15-6 in Silver money By the Committee that settled accounts with the heirs of the former Treasurer

adjoins This meeting adjourns to the 30 of this Instant after the meeting of Worship which is to begin at the 11th hour

mett Met by adjournment the 30 of the 12 month 1778 The Representatives being called Caleb Russell present Seth Huddleston not present

J. Allen John Allen informs that he is about to Remove with his family to Live within the bounds of Saratoga or Hoosuck Monthly meeting and Requests a removal Certificate for himself and Childre therefore Abiel Gifford and John Devoe are appointed to make due Inquiry into his Circumstances and draw one for them and bring it to next Monthly meeting if they find things Clear

J. Johnson James Johnson Request to come under the care of this meeting with his son William: And William Mosher and Thomas Hicks are appointed to Take an opportunity of solid Conference with him in order to know the reason of his Requests and make return to next Monthly meeting

Complaint The Overseers inform that Stephen Wilcox hath taken up Armes in or for War: and hath neglected the due attendance of our Meetings whereof which they have treated with him but did not give them Satisfaction Therefore this meeting appoint Caleb Russell and Benjamin Howland to Treat further with him, and to make report to next Monthly meeting

Certificate There was signed in this meeting a Certificate for William Howland Certifying his being under the care of this meeting, as he is about going a Voyage to Sea

Choosing It hath been proposed in this meeting to chuse some friends to Sojourn or assist the Overseers in Visiting and treating with disorderly members of this meeting, particularly those that Neglect the due attendance of our Religious Meetings: But this meeting being small in reason of the Severity of the Season the matter is referred to next Monthly meeting

Queries The Queries were answered. And an Epistle signed in this meeting to the Overseers of Quarterly meeting and ordered forward by our Representatives who are Benjamin Howland William Mosher Abiel Gifford James Smith and William Anthony Jr. appointed and they to report next monthly meeting

1779 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18 of 1st month 1779 The Representatives are Benjamin Rider and Benjamin Taber Present

J. Akin John Akin being gone to Sea the Committee appointed to Labour with him make report they have not fulfilled their appointment they are still Continued in the same Service and to make report when they shall have opportunity to perform the same

Certificate The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for John Russell not fully accomplished the same they are still continued in their service and make report next monthly meeting

month The Committee approved to consider the matter in regard to Edward Thurlston and family not having fully accomplished the same they are still continued for the same service and report next Monthly meeting

Certificate for John The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for John report they have made some progress in the said matter but not having accomplished the same they are also continued in said service, and to make return next Monthly meeting

Persons referred The friends appointed to confer with James Johnson in regard to his request to come under friends care. Report they have had an opportunity of conference with him: and that he gave them a degree of Satisfaction, yet that matter is also continued, and to said friends in the same service until next Monthly meeting

Persons referred The friends appointed to Labour with Stephen Wilcox Report they have fulfilled the same they are also continued for the same service, and to make report next Monthly meeting

Quartermen The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended agreeable to appointment, and have produced an Epistle from the same together with a number of London Printed Epistles, one of which being Read, with the 2d Quarterly meeting Epistle to good Satisfaction and the said London Epistles distributed among friends, and recommended to be read in their families

Collectors It is Recommended by the Quarterly meeting, and also by Writing from the meeting for Sufferings, to send up as speedily as may be Collections to supply the yearly meeting Stock: And this meeting concludes to raise the sum of Twenty pounds for that use

Job Sison Job Sison having Produced his Parents consent that he may proceed in marriage with Ruth Sheppard

Job Sison and Ruth Sheppard declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next Monthly meeting for answer This meeting Collected in Silver money 2-15-9 in paper money 12-1-4

Order to pay This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Deley Gifford four Silver Dollars or the Value thereof in Paper currency, it being for keeping the meeting house half a year: Also to pay William Anthony's Bill formerly given in and accepted

adjoins This meeting adjourns to the 27th instant after the meeting of Worship the 1st day of the 1st month 1779

mett Met by adjournment the 27th day of the 1st month 1779 The Representatives are Benjamin Rider and Benjamin Taber Present

Persons appointed Our friends Joseph Tucker Caleb Russell and Thomas Hicks are appointed to Sojourn and assist the Overseers in Visiting and Labouing with the disorderly members, as mentioned Last Monthly meeting and they are desired to visit and Labour with them in Love in order for their Restoration: and if after they have discharged themselves in that respect such of said members that continue disorderly: They to bring their Names and their Crimes to the meeting in order for them to be dealt further with as our discipline requires

Allen request William Allen son of Philip deceased being about to remove within bounds of Saratoga Monthly meeting, and desires a Certificate therefore Abiel Gifford and John Devoe are appointed to take the needful care in that case, and make Return to next monthly meeting







2 month 1779 Therefore Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks and Joseph Tucker Jun are appointed to Examin into the Circumstance of the matter and make return next Monthly meeting

Complaint against Gifford The Overseers Inform that Peleg Gifford Jun hath appeared in a like manner with his Son in order to stand Wash with others of the Meeting and also been found with others shooting at a Turkey set up for that purpose which disorderly conduct this meeting doth appoint our friends William Mather Samuel Smith and Gideon Howland to Labour with him in order to shew him his Error and make return next Monthly meeting

W. Mather We appoint William Mather to draw the sum of Twenty Pounds out of the appointed Treasury of this meeting, and pay the same to the yearly meeting Treasurer to draw to supply the yearly meeting stock. Also take all the money that is Collected yearly by this meeting's Committee for the meeting of Sufferings, and pay the same there, and make report the next monthly meeting

Complaint against Gifford The Overseers Inform that Job Gifford hath Neglected to attend our Religious Meetings after he was Treated with on that account. And also hath set up selling Spiritous Liquors, and thereby suffering unbecomingly at his house. Therefore this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Howland & William Barker and Jonathan Wilbur to Labour with him on these accounts, and to make report next monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1779

The Representatives are Elijah Gifford and Abiel Gifford, present

Received a Copy of a minute from our meeting of Sufferings held from the 8<sup>th</sup> Instant, directing that the same, with a Testimony from the yearly meeting of Philadelphia by adjournment from the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month to the 4<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779 (which was Read in this meeting) be both Publickly Read in all our meetings, which this meeting concurs with and the Clerk is ordered to Read them accordingly

Certificate A Removal Certificate for our friends John Allen his Wife and Children directed to the monthly meeting of East Hoosick or Saratoga was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

Testimony against Wilcox A Testimony of Denial against Stephen Wilcox Juner was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to Read it Publickly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meeting. And William Ricketson reports he hath informed said Wilcox of his denial. Likewise John Huddleston informs that he hath informed Shearman Crow of his denial as ordered Last monthly meeting

Treasurer not having paid Peleg Gifford, as ordered he is again desired to do the same and make report to next monthly meeting

Report of Shepard report that they attended said marriage, and saw nothing but marriage that it was Orderly accomplished

Certificate A Removal Certificate for William Russell directed to East Hoosick for W. Russell Saratoga monthly meeting, was signed in this meeting he having gone there to dwell

The case referred The friends appointed to Treat with Abraham Allen report they have treated with him, but the matter not being settled it is referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends continued in said Service and they to make Report next monthly meeting

P. Gifford Jun The Committee appointed to Treat with Peleg Gifford Jun Report that they have had conference with him but did not give them full satisfaction, but request the matter may be continued longer. Therefore they are continued to next monthly meeting in the same Service and then they to make report

William Mather reports he hath fulfilled his appointment in regard to carrying the yearly meetings Treasurers and also to the meeting of Sufferings and hath produced a copy of the minute from the Clerk of the meeting of Sufferings that they had Received the sum of 17 - 17 - 4 in paper and 12 Shillings in hard money for the use of the poor come from Rhode Island that are not of our Society

The Committee appointed to Treat with Job Gifford report they have had a Conference with him and he gave them little or no satisfaction. Nevertheless the matter being Weightily Considered it is referred to next monthly meeting and the same Committee still continued, and if he doth not give them some satisfaction they then to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting

The few lines of Informant directed Swansey monthly meeting and signed by the Clerk at our monthly meeting in the first month last, was now read, and do appoint our friends Thomas Hicks William Anthony Jun and Samuel Smith to attend said meeting at Swansey with said Informant in order to treat with them on that account, in behalf of this meeting, and endeavor to shew them the State of the Case, and make return to this meeting when they have accomplished the same

Abraham Howland son of Job Howland desires a removeable Certificate to the monthly meeting of East Hoosick and Saratoga. And also Aya Barker a young son of David Barker being about 17 an apprentice to live within the Comoad of Smithfield monthly meeting - also John Ricketson informs he is about to go to the Oblong, or thereabout, in order to purchase a place to live at. Requesting of us a few lines by way of Certificate - and likewise Effra Howland son of Benjamin Howland being about to go to East Hoosick or thereabout to make some stay and also desires a Certificate. Therefore this meeting appoints Samuel Smith Elijah Gifford and Thomas Hicks to draw Certificates for them and sign them in behalf of this meeting if they shall think proper when they have fully enquired into their Circumstances and make return to next monthly meeting

Collected in paper currency 6 - 15 - 4  
In Silver Currency 0 - 13 - 0

This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship held by adjournment this 24<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1779

Abner Devol and Benjamin Gifford Jun Each gave in a paper to the Preparative meeting requesting to come under Friends Care. Therefore we appoint William Mather Abiel Gifford and Samuel Smith to take an opportunity of being Conference with them in order to discern the true motive of their Request and make return next monthly meeting

William Ricketson gave in account to this meeting for 50 of the which is allowed it being 18 Shillings in hard money of the Expedient in paper and Treasurer is ordered to pay the same

The Overseers Inform that John Shepard, John Smith, Henry Smith, Elijah Ricketson, Timothy Howland and Isaac Howland son of Benjamin have joined with others in purchasing and owning a Wheel that was set in the War, or by way of Violence: yet as it hath been signified that said owners were ignorant that the said Wheel & Vessel, this meeting therefore doth appoint Gideon Russell William Mather Elijah Gifford Samuel Smith and John Devol, to inquire into the true state of the Case, and Circumstances and attend the same and bring in their Judgment thereupon to our next monthly meeting

The Overseers also Inform that Isaac Howland (son of Benjamin) is found guilty of the Sin of fornication as appears by the accusation of Abiel Smith and hath also been negligent in attending meetings and he abscided. Therefore the Committee are appointed to Labour with on that account and draw a Testimony of denial against him if he do not give them satisfaction, and bring it to next monthly meeting

We appoint our friends William Mather Thomas Hicks Joseph Tucker Jun William Barker and Isaac Howland to attend the Quarterly meeting and read the Epistle which was approved and signed in this meeting by the Clerk and the Answers to the Queries which was read and approved in this meeting, and then to make report next monthly meeting



Mo 1779 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are Abiel Gifford. Present

The Clerk Informs he hath not read the Testimony against Stephen Wilcox as ordered he is therefore desired to perform the same and make Return next monthly meeting  
The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Pelag Gifford, he is therefore ordered to pay and make report when it is paid

The friends appointed in the case of Abraham Allen report they have been engaged in the matter but it not being fully settled to satisfaction they are Continued in the same service and to make report next monthly meeting

The Friends continued Last monthly meeting to treat with Pelag Gifford Report they have fulfilled their appointment and he declines to make satisfaction and that they think they are clear from any further Labour with him they are therefore appointed to draw a paper of denial against him the said Pelag Gifford Jun. And thly with Joseph Gifford and William Danford to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting

The Committee continued to Treat with Jos Gifford report they have had some late Conferences with him wherein he gave some degree of satisfaction they are therefore still continued in the said service and make report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to prepare and sign Certificates in the behalf of this meeting report they have performed the same. Except that for Abraham Howland (Son of Jos) and they are still continued to draw one for him if Certificates they think proper and bring it to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Treat with Abner Deuel and Benjamin Gifford Report they have had some conference with them and that they gave them some degree of satisfaction, the matter is therefor refered to next monthly meeting and they continued in said service and then to make report

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid William Ricket for as ordered he is therefore ordered to pay the same and make report when he hath paid

The friends appointed to Engage into and to Judge the matter of the owners of the Vessel said to be taken by War and Violence, who have given in the following report which after being read and considered is accepted and is as followeth

Testimony against S.W. not read  
P. Gifford not paid

The case of A. Allen refered

a paper of denial to be drawn against P. Gifford

The case of J. Gifford refered

Report of friends appointed to sign Certificates

The case of A. Deuel & B. Gifford refered

W. Ricket for not paid

month 1779 Report. they have had conference with him, but he did not give the full satisfaction, yet they did not brofft a Testimony against him they are therefore continued in the same service and report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting, report they all attended Except Joseph Tucker Jun. and he hath rendered an Excuse for his not attending which is accepted; and they have produced an apistle from the Quarterly meeting which was Read and well accepted

David Barker desires a Certificate for his young son Shove Barker to be monthly meeting at Swanzy he being gone there to Live as an apprentice

And also James Cornwell being about to Remove within the compass of Last Hoosuck or Saratoga Monthly meeting; and Request a removal Certificate said meeting; Therefor Jonathan Willson Joseph Tucker Jun. and Elijah Gifford are appointed to make inquiry into above said matter and draw Certificates for them if they find things Clear and bring them to next monthly meeting

The Form for holding meetings granted to the friends at Bedford being Expired the overseers thereof made report that it hath been kept up a Wholl and request it continued which is Granted for one month only and Benjamin Taber Caleb Russell and Seth Russell are appointed to have the oversight thereof and to make report next monthly meeting

Collected in paper Currency --- 5 - 4 - 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>  
Collected in Silver currency --- 0 - 9 - 8

Mo 1779 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are Joseph Barker and Benja. Rider. Present

The Clerk hath made Report the Testimony of Denial against Stephen Wilcox Junior hath been Read according to appointment which is as followeth

Whereas Stephen Wilcox Jun. having had a Right of Membership among Friends, and under the Care of this meeting, yet through unwatchfulness and disregarding the Principal of Truth, he hath fallen into great Indifference of mind, so as most wholly to Neglect attending our Religious meetings; He hath also of Late appeared with his Gun in a Worldly posture; which Conduct of his being Inconsistent with our Peaceable Principles that we make Profession of; and friends having Laboured with him in Love on these accounts, but he not adhearing to the advice of friends herein We do therefore Give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Stephen Wilcox Jun. discouraging him from being a Member of our Society, until he be by unfeigned Repentance and acknowledgment of the Error of his way, restored to the way of Truth  
Given forth, and signed in our monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1779 by William Anthony Jun. Clerk

Testimony of Stephen Wilcox Jun.

The case of Allen refered

Complaint against W. Bowditch

The Committee appointed in the Case of Abraham Allen make report that they have still been in the progress of that service, but it being not yet fully settled to satisfaction it is therefore refered to next monthly meetings, and the same friends continued and then they to make report

This meeting is Informed that William Bowditch Jun. hath fallen into the Sin of Fornication; therefore William Mosher and Joseph Tucker are appointed to Treat with him on that account, and to draw a paper of denial against him if he do not give them satisfaction and bring it to the next monthly meeting







6<sup>th</sup> month  
1779 Their Labour of Love with him in order for his Recovery  
But our Labour not being Effectual: This meeting being concerned  
for the Clearing of Truth, and friends from the reproach of such evil  
Conduct do therefore give this forth as a publick Testimony against  
him the said Isaac Howland disowning him from being a member  
of our Society until by unfeigned Repentance, and relinquin from the  
Errors of his ways he shall be referred to the way of Truth.  
Given forth and signed in and behalf of our monthly meeting held  
in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> day of the 5<sup>th</sup> month A. D. 1779 by  
William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk

Certificate  
of removal  
A Removal Certificate for James Cornel his Wife and Children  
Directed to the Monthly meeting at East Hoosuck and Saratoga  
was signed in this Meeting by the Clerk

F. Smith  
of Levi  
Disowned  
A Testimony of denial against Thomas Smith (son of Levi) was  
signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the same  
Publickly as usual, and make report thereof to our next monthly  
meeting; and Caleb Russell is appointed to Inform said Thomas  
of his denial and make report next Monthly meeting

Collected in paper Currency -- 50 -- 9 -- 10  
In Silver Currency -- 1 -- 1 -- 8 1/2

adjourned  
This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship  
which is to begin at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour

met  
Met by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives being Called both present

P. Gifford  
in Committee  
The Committee appointed to confer with Poley Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup> make report  
that they have met and treated with him on the account of his  
outgoings but he not giving them full satisfaction the matter is  
referred under the care of said Committee to next monthly meeting  
who are then to make report

Certificate  
for removal  
Certificates were signed in this meeting for Hizekiah Smith and  
Paul Cornel, the first directed to the monthly meeting of Orlong or  
Nine Partners, the latter to the monthly meeting of East Hoosuck or  
Saratoga

J. Potters  
case dispute  
The matter concerning John Potters is suspended by reason things  
are not fully clear therefore William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith  
are desired to Inform him of his deficiencies as soon as opportunity  
will allow and they also are to proceed in such measures relative to  
to said matter as they may think best and make return to the  
meeting when they have accomplished the same

D. Shepard  
request a  
Certificate  
Daniel Shepard desires A Certificate to Saratoga monthly meeting  
settling to his right of membership and Clearing of Marriage Entanglement,  
therefore William Barker and William Sanford are appointed  
to take the necessary care therein and report next monthly meeting

B. Sawdy  
request a  
Certificate  
Benjamin Sawdy desires a removal Certificate to East Hoosuck or  
Saratoga monthly meeting; therefore William Mosher and Abiel Gifford  
are appointed to take the necessary care in that affair and make  
Report next monthly meeting

Complaint  
against  
Pillcium  
The Overseers Inform that Paul Sticum is accused of the sin of  
Fornication with Rhoda Reed who accuses him of being the father  
of her Bastard Child, and said Overseers having Laboured with  
him on that account, he nowise Clearing himself from said accusation  
Therefore

6<sup>th</sup> month  
1779 Therefore this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Howland<sup>sr</sup> and Thomas  
Hicks, to Treat further with him on that account and if he do not give  
them satisfaction to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it  
to next monthly meeting

Deaths record  
The Women Friends inform that they have received Anna Butts under  
their care; also they have disowned Mary Wood wife of Abraham Wood  
and Abigail Howland Wife of Isaac Howland all which this meeting  
Concurs with

Certificate for  
Deaths &  
buriall  
This Meeting signed certificates for our Friends David Sands  
Solomon Underhill and Joseph Walter directed to the monthly meeting  
they belong to Certifying our Unity with their publick Testimony  
and Labour whilst among us

was answered  
The Queries were Answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting  
and Ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives  
who are Samuel Smith Abiel Gifford Joseph Tucke Jun<sup>r</sup> and William  
Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and they to report next monthly meeting

Month 1779  
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are William Barke and Abiel Gifford present

The friends appointed to Treat with William Bowditch Jun<sup>r</sup> Report  
that they have had Conference with him and that he hath given  
them a good degree of Satisfaction and he hath given in a paper  
to this meeting condemning his outgoing; yet the matter is referred  
to next monthly meeting for a further proof of his sincerity on the  
said friends to have the oversight of his conduct, and to report next  
Monthly meeting

with a  
denial read  
The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against  
Thomas Smith as directed last monthly meeting, and Caleb Russell  
Reports he hath informed him thereof according to appointment  
which is followeth

Testimony of  
denial against  
Smith  
Whereas Thomas Smith (son of Levi Smith deceased) in the Town of  
Dartmouth and Province of the Massachusetts Bay, Having had his  
Education among friends, but through unwearfulness, had disregard-  
ing the Testimony of Truth in his own heart, have so far deviated  
from the peaceable Principle of profession of us to take up Arms  
in order for War, and friends having Laboured with him in love to  
show him the Error of his way but their Labour of Love not having the  
desired effect: Therefore this meeting is concerned to give this forth  
as a publick Testimony, denying him the said Thomas Smith from  
being a Member of our Society, and from under the care of this  
meeting. Nevertheless desiring, if de consistent with Divine Wisdom  
that he might yet come to a sight and sense of the Error of his way  
and return to the way of Truth.  
Given forth by friends at their Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth  
The 21<sup>st</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
Signed in and by order of said meeting by  
William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk

Certificate for  
Sawdy Wife  
& Children  
A Removal Certificate for Benjamin Sawdy his Wife and their  
Children directed to the monthly meeting at East Hoosuck or Saratoga  
was signed in this meeting they having gone there to dwell

Certificate for  
Shepherd  
A Certificate for Daniel Shepard directed to the monthly meeting of  
Saratoga, settling his clearing in regard to marriage and conversation  
was signed in this meeting by the Clerk



7 month 1779 The friends continued in the case of Peleg Gifford Jun. mak report that that they not being fully satisfied therein request it still continued which is accordingly continued to next monthly meeting under the Case of the same friends as heretofore and then they to make report

The friends appointed to Labour with Paul Slocum report that they have fulfilled the same, and that he did not give them satisfaction. Therefore they have produced a Testimony of denial which was signed against him the said Paul Slocum, by the Clerk who is directed to read the same publicly as usual and make report to our next monthly meeting; and William Barker is appointed to Inform him thereof and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly Meeting Report they all attended according to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been read and well accepted; together with Transcripts of Epistles from London and Philadelphia which were also read, and the seaforable advices therein Communicated to us well received

The friends appointed some months past to Labour with John Ahin Report they have fulfilled their appointments, and that he gave them no satisfaction. Therefore he the said John Ahin is disowned from being in Membership with us, and John Williams is appointed to Inform him of his denial also to draw a Testimony of his denial, and bring it to next monthly meeting

The Women Friends Inform that they have deny'd Anne Mott wife of Jacob Mott which this meeting concurs with

This meeting hath signed and sent a Certificate or Information to the Committee appointed by the meeting for suffering, agreeable to said meeting Request, concerning Samuel Smith a member of this meeting who is taken and carried into New York and there remained a Prisoner under distressed Circumstances by the last account we had from him the said Samuel

This Meeting being Informed that our Friend Seth Huddleston is Draughted as a Soldier and is required to appear at Stanton within a few days for that purpose, Therefore this meeting thinks proper and hath given him a Certificate, setting forth his being a member among us Also do appoint our friends Abiel Gifford John Williams and William Anthony Jun. To assist him in all things relative thereto in order for his release, and other things as they in the Wisdom of Truth shall think best

This meeting Collected in paper -- 7-7-0  
Collected in Silver -- 0-12-3

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of 8 month 1779 The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and John Bevil present

The Committee who had the oversight of the conduct of William Bowditch Jun. report, they have seen nothing amiss in him since last Monthly meeting yet the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends to have the oversight of him and report next Monthly meeting

The Clerk reports that the Testimony against Paul Slocum hath been Read as ordered, also William Barker reports he is informed as ordered which Testimony is as followeth

Whereas Paul Slocum (son of Benjamin Slocum and Phoebe his wife) Having had his Education among friends under the care of this meeting yet by departing from the Testimony of Truth in his own heart hath so far gone astray as to fall into the reproachful Sin of Fornication as appears by the accusation of Rhoda Read; and friends having Laboured with him in Love in order to discover to him the evil thereof, and to restore him to the way of Truth, But our Labour of Love

But our Labour of Love not being Effectual to the Satisfaction of this meeting; Therefore for the Preservation of Truth, and friends from the Reproach of such Enormous evil this meeting is concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him hereby disowning him the said Paul Slocum from being one of our Society, and from under the Care of friends; Desiring never the less if it be agreeable to divine Pleasure that he may yet find a place of Repentance; and by an unfeigned acknowledgment of the Evil of his way return to the way of Truth Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15th of the 7 month 1779 by William Anthony Jun. Clerk

The Friends appointed to Inform John Ahin of his Denial and draw a Testimony against him report that it is not accomplished by reason said Ahin being gone from home; Therefore the said friends are desired to accomplish the same as soon as may be and make report to this meeting

Jonathan Clark Informs he is about to Remove with his wife and Kilde within the Compass of Nine Partow Monthly meeting, and desires a Certificate therefore Benjamin Chase and Abiel Gifford are appointed to Inform the Women and take necessary Care therein and draw a certificate if they think proper and bring to next monthly meeting

The Committee in regard to Peleg Gifford Jun. Report that they have fulfilled their appointment and things not appearing fully clear to accept him, and said Committee being dissatisfied by their request And Joseph Tucker Joseph Barker and Benjamin Rider are now appointed to Treat with him the said Gifford and make report next monthly meeting

The Women Friends Inform they have Denied Sarah Howland now Wife of Warren Howland; And that they have Received into membership Hannah Willbore which this meeting concurs with

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid William Ricketson Three dollars hard money as ordered and also paid Peleg Gifford four dollar as ordered Likewise in hard money

Cornelius Howland having returned this meeting a Certificate that he formerly had to go to Sea; And now again request a Certificate also to go to Sea; Therefore Benjamin Smith Jun. Samuel Smith and William Anthony Jun. are appointed to inspect into the Circumstances of the Voyage that he intends, and draw and sign such a Certificate for him in behalf of this meeting as they may think proper, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting

The Treasurer is ordered to pay Timothy Howland five dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year or the Value thereof in paper Collected in paper Currency -- 4-4-0  
Collected in Silver Currency -- 0-14-1

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20th of 9 month 1779 The Representatives are Joseph Barker and John Williams Present

The friends appointed to have the oversight of William Bowditch Jun. make report to this faction, and his paper again Read this meeting doth conclude to accept of the same, provided he cause the same to be Read publicly at the Close of a publick meeting for his ship on first day, he being present, and return the same to next monthly meeting, said paper is as followeth

To a Monthly meeting of Friends held at Dartmouth 19th of 7 mo 1779 Under a due Consideration of my misconduct in time past, I publish these lines in duty to a Society Whome I have reproached, by being seduced



9<sup>th</sup> month 1779 Seduced by the Enemy to Fornication, and have Contracted marriage contrary to the proper order of Friends, and must Confess I have not been attendant to the several meetings of friends as becometh a member of the Society; which exorbitant behaviour I acknowledge as a dishonour to the worthy Society profession of friends, and with sorrow unfeigned I condemn whosoever of I am guilty, and desire Friends to pass by my offence and yet to number me amongst those  
From your unfeigned friend William Bowdish Sr

*Benjamin Gifford* The Friends appointed to confer with Benjamin Gifford Sr, make a satisfactory report in regard to his request, therefore he is now Received under the care of this meeting as a member of our Society

*Certificate for J. Clark* The Friends appointed in regard to Jonathan Clark's Certificate Report they have been in a progress in that matter, but some of his affairs not being fully settled, the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the friends continued in said Service and then they to make report

*J. Akin* The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial against John Akin, have accomplished the same, which hath been Read and signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read it publicly as usual and make report thereof to our next monthly meeting, they also report they have informed him of his denial agreeable to appointment, which is as followeth

*Testimony of denial against J. Akin* Whereas John Akin having had a Right of membership with us but hath so far deviated from our Christian profession as to appear within a Military Company under Arms in order for defence for which he hath been Labour'd with in Love in order to reclaim him, but it not having the desired Effect, and he continuing to justify the said Practices, or rather not to retract it, we think it necessary for the Clearing of Truth and friends to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him. Neverthless it is our desire that he may yet be convinced of the Impropriety of bearing arms under this Gospel Dispensation, and return Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 25<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> Mo 1779 Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by  
William Anthony Sr Clerk

*Certificate for C. Howland* The friends appointed to draw and Certificates for Cornelius Howland report they have fulfilled the same

*C. Howland not paid* The Treasurer not having paid Timothy Howland as order'd for want of money as we understand he is ordered to pay the same when furnished with money, and make report next monthly meeting

*The case of J. Gifford* Two of the friends appointed to Treat with Peleg Gifford Sr, Report they have treated with him, but that he did not fully comply Continued to condemn his conduct to friends satisfaction; but inasmuch as one of said friends was not there with the others two when they treated with him by reason of disappointment, therefore they are still continued to Treat with him and if he do not give them satisfaction they are ordered to draw a paper of denial against him and bring to next monthly meeting

*A Committee of the Quarterly* It being recommended to this meeting, by a Committee of the Quarterly appointed meeting, to appoint a Committee to confer with them on the weighty Subject of Erecting Schools for the better Education of our youth This meeting doth appoint Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford, Caleb Russell, Caleb Green, Joseph Barker, William Anthony Sr, John Deval and John Williams for that Service

*J. Russell* Certificates that this meeting some time ago granted to B. Ricketson, John Russell and Benjamin Ricketson directed to East Hoosuck Monthly

Monthly meeting are now returned with Indorsements to Each Settling forth the orderly conduct of said friends while there, they being now Returned home  
Collected in paper --- 14 --- 0 --- 0  
Collected in silver --- 00 --- 15 --- 2

This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant at the Eleventh Hour Mett by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Representatives being called both Present

*Complaint against Stephen Russell* This meeting being informed by the Preparative meeting and Overseer That Stephen Russell hath Married out of the Unity of Friends after being previously Cautioned to desist by the Overseer; Therefore the said Stephen Russell is denied from Membership in the Society and Joseph Barker is appointed to Inform him hereof and make report to next monthly meeting

*George Smith* George Smith having Requested at the Preparative meeting that his Children might be Received into Membership with us; But he the said George not appearing at this meeting to Continue his request it is therefore referred to next monthly meeting for further Consideration by way of presentable meetings

*Complaint against C. Howland* The Overseer Inform, that Humphrey Howland (son of Benjamin) hath been in the practice of going to horse races and suffering his own beast to run; and he likewise doth very much depart from that plainness of apparel, and other wise; that Truth require; after being frequently admonish'd on that account by friends; Therefore this meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell, Elijah Gifford and John Deval to Labour further with him on those accounts and make report next monthly meeting also to draw a paper of denial against him if he do not make them Satisfaction

*Meetings discontinued* This meeting doth hereby discontinue all our week day meetings within the Compass of this meeting for next week only, they being so near the time of the Quarterly meeting

*Epistles received* Received a Transcript of the Epistle of the last yearly meeting of Friends on Long Island, together with one from our last yearly meeting which were both Read and the Reasonable advice therein given well accepted

*Queries answered* The Queries were answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting and ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, William Mather, Samuel Smith, Abiel Gifford and John Williams, and they to report next monthly meeting

*Committee of Birthright* A Report of a Committee formerly appointed by this meeting to Inspec into the Birthright of Children hath been now Read and Considered, and being approved is as followeth

Agreeable to appointment We have Considered the matter respecting our members, who have a proper Birthright; and we find that in or about the year 1763 our monthly meeting came into the same measure nearly as in said matter as the yearly meeting did afterwards in the year 1777 which was then Established as a Rule in the Society; Wherefore we think the same Rule with us ought to begin in the first month 1763 unto which Rule we refer, as our Rule to be govern'd by; and we further think that the former Rules and customs of our meeting ought to remain and stand good down to said date of the first month 1763 which was as near as we can Collect as followeth (viz) that all such Children, whose parents or even a father only were members, such Children were deemed members, whether such parent or parents requested for their Birthright or otherwise parents were members by Birthright or otherwise

Given forth this 12 day of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1777  
Prince Allen  
Thomas Hicks  
Benjamin Smith Sr  
Samuel Smith  
William Anthony Sr



10<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are William Noyes and William Gifford present  
William Bowditch's Paper having been Read as directed last month meeting is now returned and accepted

A Removal Certificate for Jonathan Clark and his wife Susanna and their Children was signed in this meeting by the Clerk directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine Partlet hers they being about to remove there: the names of their Children being entered in said Certificate are as followeth Lydia Philip Elizabeth Jonathan and Ruth

Treasurer Reports he hath paid Timothy Howland as ordered  
The Clerk reports he hath Read the paper of denial against John Akin according to appointment of last monthly meeting

The Committee appointed at our last Monthly meeting to Confer with the Quarterly meetings Committee on the case of Erecting Schools make Report that they have had a Conference accordingly and that they have fallen in with the moosthearsers Recommendation of our last yearly meeting: And said Quarterly meetings Committee have advised that Each monthly meeting chuse a solid Judicious Committee to have the standing oversight of such Schools, and to see that they be Erected accordingly: Therefore this meeting doth appoint Abiel Gifford Caleb Russell William Anthony Junr John Williams Elijah Gifford Jonathan Willbour Caleb Green John Devoal and Samuel Smith for that purpose

Joseph Barker reports that he hath informed Stephen Russell of his denial agreeable to appointment

The Committee continued to Treat with Teleg Gifford Junr Reports that he did not give them full satisfaction: Therefore they have produced a paper of denial against him which was signed, and Joseph Tucker is appointed to Inform thereof, and that he hath a Right of an appeal: And said paper to Lay on file until the time of appeal is expired and then the Clerk to read the same Publickly in the usual manner and make report to this meeting when he hath performed the same

The Friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting being called upon make report that they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and well accepted: And as there is money requited to supply the yearly meeting stock the matter for raising the same is referred to the adjournment of this meeting

Collected in Silver money - 0 - 10 - 7  
Collected in paper Currency - 11 - 7 - 0

This Meeting adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting of Worship  
Mett by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The representatives being called both Present

The matter in Regard to George Smiths Request concerning his Children is referred to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to Labour with Humphry Howland having proceeded in that service, but being fully Clear in the case request the matter referred to next monthly meeting and they continued in that service, and then they to make report

Stephen Gifford and Stephen Russell Each gave in a paper to this meeting Condemn their misconduct, and the day being now for Spent, said matters are referred to next monthly meeting

The Time Granted for holding meetings at Bedford being now Expired The Friends that had the Oversight thereof being called upon make report that it hath been kept up orderly as usually and Request it Continued as usual which is granted until the 4<sup>th</sup> month next year - And Seth Russell John Williams and Benjamin Taber are appointed to have the Oversight thereof and to make report at the Expiration thereof

This Meeting concludes that all our meetings for the future begin at the Eleventh hour until otherwise ordered by this meeting Excepting only that at Bedford which is to be held as heretofore

The matter of raising money to supply the yearly meeting Treasury is Referred to next monthly meeting

All a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives are Benjamin Smith and Thomas Mott Present

Joseph Tucker not being present to make report concerning his Informing Teleg Gifford Junr of his denial therefore that matter is referred to next Monthly meeting and then he to make report

George Smith having Requested for his Children to be taken under the Friends Care, Therefore this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Smith and William Anthony Junr to Join with the Women friends and visit the Family in a Solid manner, and acquaint themselves of the State thereof and make report to the next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Treat with Humphry Howland make report that they have conferred with him on the account of his out goings and that he gave consent to repair therefrom in future and gave in a paper condemning the same Therefore the same Committee are continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

This meeting doth appoint Thomas Rith Joseph Barker and Benjamin Howland to treat with Stephen Russell, and Stephen Gifford, in regard to their misconduct, which they and each of them gave in a paper to this meeting signifying their sorrow for the same, and Stephen Requesting therein to be Restored to unity with friends again and the Committee to make report to next monthly meeting

Nathaniel Gifford gave in a paper to this meeting concerning his being censured in a heresore therefore this meeting doth appoint Elijah Gifford and Samuel Smith to confer with him on that account and to report to next monthly meeting

This meeting hath Received advice and direction from the Quarterly meetings School Committee in regard to Erecting Schools, which is well accepted, & Continued to be performed by this meeting

Also received from said Committee Rules for Regulating of such Schools which are recommended to this meetings School shall or may act in behalf of the whole Five of whom this meeting then order shall meet together to act and do what be needful in that matter as often as conveniently as they can or as need may require

This meeting being directed by the Quarterly meeting to raise money by way of subscription to supply the yearly meeting stock, Therefore this meeting doth appoint Thomas Mott Henry Smith, Seth Russell, Daniel Gifford, Timothy Howland, and Daniel Richardson to take in Subscriptions for that purpose and to pay as the money is subscribed to this meetings Treasurer, and make report of the sum Total to this meeting as soon as they have accomplished the same

John Howland and Reliance Shepherd declared their Intentions of taking each other in Marriage, and were desired to write till next monthly meeting for their answers, and our friends Caleb Russell and John Williams are appointed to inquire into John Howlands Cleanness in regard to marriage, and make report next monthly meeting

This meeting hath signed a Removal Certificate for Anne Shepherd a young Daughter of David Shepherd, to the Monthly meeting of the Oblong the said gone there to Live



11<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Women Friends Inform they have Received a Removal Certificate from Rhoda Gifford Wife of Stephen Gifford from the monthly meeting of Acceaset  
 They also Inform they have disowned Joan Smith Wife of David Smith and this meeting hath signed a Testimony against her in concurrence with the Womens meetings and the Clerk of this meeting is directed to Read said Testimony Publicly in the usual manner and make report to next monthly meeting  
 This meeting Collected in hard money - 0 - 14 - 0  
 in paper money - 16 - 15 - 0

Conclude to meet in General to Erect and mend up the fence Round this meeting house yard on the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant If fair weather if not the 29<sup>th</sup>

Adjourn This meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

Met by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Representatives being Called Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup> Present Thomas Mott not present

Wood gave in a paper Chilon Wood gave in a paper Condemning his marrying out of the leading Friends therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford and Jonathan Willbor to have the care of that matter; and is Indevous to discover the sincerity of the young man in his condemning said matter and make report next months meeting

Caleb Shearman and Gilbert Russell each gave in a paper Condemning their Joining with companies in a War like and Grand Guard as they call it Therefore we appoint Williams Sanford Joseph Tucker and John Williams to have an opportunity of conference with them in order to discover their sincerity in that matter and make report next monthly meeting

John Devol Informed that he hath thought of going to the Nine Partners to visit his friends and we concurring therewith as he is a member of our meeting and under of our care - And

Esajian Howland he is going to East Hoosuck and Nine partners to visit his friends and he being a member of this meeting and under our care therefore the Clerk is ordered to give each of them a Copy of this to give a copy minute

Abraham Howland gave in a bill for keeping Alice Smith to the amount of 1 - 12 - 0 hard money and the Treasurer is ordered to said account and make report next monthly meeting

The year being Expired of the Overseers of the Poor, but a new year of choice is refered and said Overseers continued until next monthly meeting

We appoint our Friends Thomas Hicks Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup> John Williams and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> To revise and Correct this meetings minutes in order to go on Re-con- siders to lette account with the Treasurer and make report next monthly meeting

William Barker Jun<sup>r</sup> being returned from East Hoosuck with his Certificate that went from this meeting which is now accepted

James Barker returned his Certificate from East Hoosuck with their Indorsement thereon to satisfaction and now request from us a removal Certificate one to Hoosuck monthly meeting; Therefore we appoint William Sanford and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> to take the Necessary care therein; and draw and sign one in behalf of this meeting if they think fit and make report next monthly meeting

12<sup>th</sup> month 1779 Met a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1779 The Representatives are Samuel Smith and Nicholas Lapham Present

Joseph Tucker Jun<sup>r</sup> reports he hath Inform'd Pelag Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup> of his denial according to appointment

Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup> and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>s Reports they have visited George Smiths family on his request for his children to be received under Friends Care, and that they found good Satisfaction therein Therefore this meeting doth accept of said Children to be under the care of this meeting whose names are Abner, Ruth, Rhobe and William

Part of the Committee appointed to confer with Humphry Howland Report that they not having fully accomplished this matter and request it continued Therefore it is refered to next monthly meeting and the same Committee still Continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting

Part of the Committee appointed to Treat with Nathaniel Gifford in regard to his being concerned in a horse race, make report that he gave them Satisfaction Therefore this meeting doth accept of his paper condemning his said disorder for Satisfaction

The friends appointed to Inquire into the Clearness of John Howland Report, they find nothing hinder his proceeding in marriage with Reliance Shepherd

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimon of denial against Jane Smith according to appointment

This meeting signed a removal Certificate for Ruth Lison wife of Job Lison to the monthly meeting of Acceaset

John Howland and Reliance Shepherd appeard for their Answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient times before next monthly meeting; advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to oversee said marriage who are Caleb Russell and Benjamin Taber, and they to make report next monthly meeting

Nathaniel Gifford and Mehellebel Trufford declared their Intentions of Taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer; and Jonathan Willbor and Thomas Hicks are appointed to make inquiry into the young mans Clearness respecting marriage; and to make report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer not having paid Abraham Howland by reason he hath not called for it, he is still ordered to pay the same if called for and make report next monthly meeting

John Barker having signified to this meeting of his Intention to take a Journey with his brother James into the Government of New York and expects to be at some meetings in them parts; Which this meeting approves of he being a member of Society and a member of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy hereof

The Friends appointed to Treat with Caleb Russell Shearman and Gilbert Russell report they have not fully accomplished the same (the said some progress therein) therefore the matter is refered to next monthly meeting and the same friends continued in said Service and then to report

Daniel Shepherd request a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting Sandwich, Therefore William Sanford and William Barker are appointed to make due inquiry into his Clearness and draw one for him if they find things clear and bring it to next monthly meeting

Philip Macomber his Wife and Children having requested to come under the care of Friends; Therefore this meeting doth appoint Thomas Hicks and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> to have a sould Conference with them in Concurrence with the Womens friends in order to discover the motives of their request and to make report to next monthly meeting

The Overseer Inform that James Howland hath been a Voyage to sea as Master of a Vessel that Carried Armes for War, and they having Treated with him on that account, he rather Justified himself therein Therefore this meeting doth appoint Caleb Russell and John Williams to Treat further with him on that account and make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting hath Collected in hard money - 0 - 2 - 0  
 in Paper money - 12 - 18 - 0

This meeting Adjourns to the 23<sup>rd</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship next



424  
12<sup>th</sup> month  
1779  
Met by Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1779  
The Representatives being called both Present

The case of J. Russell & Gifford not being accomplished are referred to next monthly meeting and their friends continued in that service and then they to make report

The friends appointed to Treat with Elisha Wood make report that he gave them a degree of satisfaction and his paper condemning his marrying out of the Unity of friends being again Read is accepted for satisfaction

The matter of a new choice of overseers of the poor is referred to next Monthly meeting and those of the former choice continued until a new choice is made

The Committee appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings minutes And to settle account with the Treasurer not having accomplished the same they are still continued to performe the same and to make report next monthly meeting

This meeting understanding that our Books have been much scattered a broad therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Willcox, an Daniel Nicholson to Collect said Books together and make out a fair List of them; and also to prepare a suitable chest to put them in at this meetings house that they may be for the general service of friends And said Committee to make report of their service herein, and also return said List of the Books to next monthly meeting

The time of the former appointment of Overseers being Expired a New choice is referred to next Monthly meeting and they continued in that until then

This Meeting Adjourns to the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of next month

Met by adjournment the 5<sup>th</sup> Day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called Samuel Smith present Nicholas Lapham not present

The Queries were answered in this meeting and an Epistle signed and directed to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Samuel Smith, Abiel Gifford, William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and Gideon Howland; And they are directed to draw the sum of 40 paper money, and 30 Shillings Silver money out of our Treasury, and pay the same to the yearly meetings Treasurer to Supply the yearly meetings with Stock, and make report next Monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are William Barker and Abraham Howland present

The Committee appointed to Confer with Philip Macomber and J. Macomber report that they have not fully accomplished said appointment referred Therefore the same friends are still continued in said service and to make report to next monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate directed to the Monthly meeting of Southwicks for D. Shep was signed in this meeting for Daniel Shephard

The friends appointed to oversee the marriage of John Howland and J. Howland Reliance Shephard report that they attended said marriage and that it marriage orderly solemnized

The Friends appointed to Treat with Humphry Howland report that they have several times Treated with him on that account and altho referred in some respects he gave a degree of satisfaction, but for a further Proof of his sincerity said matter is referred to next monthly meeting and they are then to make report

The friends appointed to Treat with Gilbert Rubel report that they have not fulfilled their appointment by reason of the difficulty of the weather they are still continued to performe it & report next monthly meeting

The case of J. Russell & Gifford referred  
E. Wood's paper accepted  
Choosing overseers of the poor  
Revising minutes settling with Treasurer  
Committee appointed to Collect Books together  
Choosing overseers refered  
Queries answered  
Representatives appointed to draw money  
1<sup>st</sup> month  
Request of J. Macomber referred  
Certificate signed  
Report of J. Howland & R. Shephard  
Treaty of H. Howland referred  
Case of G. Rubel referred

425  
12<sup>th</sup> month  
1780  
But The same Friends report they have with Coleb Shearman who gave them satisfaction; Therefore his paper Condemning his disorder is not accepted Provided he cause the same to be Read publicly in the usual manner and Return the same to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to Treat with James Howland for his disorder make report, they have performed the same, and that he did not give them satisfaction; Therefore he is disowned from being a Member of our Society, And John Williams is appointed to draw a Testimony of denial against him, and also to Inform him thereof, and bring it to next Monthly meeting

The Women friends Inform that they have Received into Memberships Lydia Huddleston Wife of Seth Huddleston, which meeting hath Unity with

This meeting hath signed Testimonys of denials against Elizabeth Gifford and Hannah Willcox, and the Clerk is ordered to read publicly in the usual manner, and to make report next monthly meeting

The greater part of the Committee appointed to confer with Stephen Gifford, report that they have performed the same who gave a good degree of satisfaction; Therefore his paper which he hath given Condemning his misconduct is accepted provided he cause the same to be publicly Read as usual and Return the same to next monthly meeting

This Meeting is Informed by a minute of the meeting for Sufferings That a Number of John Churchmans Journals, which they had Engaged are now ready; and advise that Friends would send up their Subscriptions with their money at two-thirds of a Silver dollar per Book to the next meeting for Sufferings - and our friends Samuel Smith William Misher and John Williams to take in Subscriptions and make report to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeting Collected in hard money --- 00 --- 15 --- 6  
In paper money --- 11 --- 12 --- 0

This Meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship  
Met by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called both Present

The friends appointed to inquire into the Cleornis of Nathaniel Gifford respecting in regard to marriage make report, that they have made inquiry and do not find any thing sufficient to hinder their proceeding in marriage

The friends appointed to Treat with Stephen Russell report they have seen with him and had a Conference with him on the account of his disorder and think best the matter be continued; therefore the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends continued in said service and then they to make report

Nathaniel Gifford and Mahetabel Gifford appeared for their Answer which was, that they might take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are Elijah Gifford and Jonathan Willcox and they to make report next monthly meeting

This Meeting appoints Elijah Gifford, Gideon Howland, Coleb Green Abraham Howland, Giles Norum, and Thomas Russell Overseers of the Poor for the year Ingoing

The Friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings minutes, and to settle accounts with the Treasurer reports they have not accomplished the same they are therefore continued in said service and make report next Monthly meeting

The friend appointed to raise money by way of Subscription have now made report Return of the sum total is Collected which is 105 10 - 6 In paper and 2 - 3 - 7 in hard money which they have delivered to the Treasurer of this meeting

month  
1780  
James  
accepted  
Howland  
and  
Gifford  
and  
Willcox  
referred  
Howland's  
paper  
accepted  
This meeting is referred  
John Churchman's  
journals are  
ready  
adjourns  
met  
report on Nathaniel  
Gifford's  
marriage  
The case of  
Stephen  
Russell  
referred  
Gifford's  
answer given  
overseers of  
the poor  
revising minutes  
settling with  
Treasurer  
referred  
amount of money  
collected



1<sup>st</sup> month 1780 This meeting appoints Abiel Gifford, Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup>, Benjamin Howland, Seth Kuddalston, Caleb Russell, and Benjamin Taber Overseers for the year ensuing

The Women friends Inform they have received Grace Gifford in unity which this meeting concurs with

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they had attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same which hath been Read and well accepted: The said friends also report they have sent the money to be conveyed to the yearly meeting Treasury, which was sent by them

The Quarterly meetings by their Epistle have commended to us to appoint a Committee to Enquire their Committee to confer the matter of Enlarging and with Quarterly meeting by joining part of this Quarter there is which this meeting doth refer to next monthly meeting for further Consideration

The friends appointed in regard to this meetings Books and to procure a box to put them in report they have procured a box and produced the same to this house, and they have likewise been in a progress to Collect said Book, but have not fully accomplished the same, they are therefore Continued in said service and make report next monthly meeting

The friend appointed to Treat with Gilbert Russell that they have fulfilled their appointment therein and that he gave them a degree of satisfaction: therefore this meeting doth Except of his paper Condemning his disorder, provided he cause the same to be read publickly in the usual manner and returne same to next monthly meeting

The Friend Continued to have the care of Humphry Howland report that he hath given them a degree of satisfaction yet there appearing something in his Habit that friends are not fully with therefore it is Referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before

These two Last Paraprafts belong to the third month, but were placed hear through mistake: Therefore they are Re-Entered again in their proper place

2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780 Att a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780 The Representatives are Joseph Barker and Jonathan Willbor present

The friends Continued to confer with Philip Maccomber and Children Report that they have fulfilled the same who gave them a good degree of satisfaction: Therefore this meeting doth accept of him the said Philip Maccomber and his three sons Namely, Gardner, Barabab and Abraham to be under the care of this meeting

The matter respecting Humphry Howland is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before who are then is room

Received a removal certificate from the monthly meeting of Swanzey for John Howland who has removed hear the same setting forth him to be a member of the Society which is accepted

The friends appointed to Treat with Gilbert Russell made report that they have not accomplished the same by reason of some indisposition of body, and some dis-appointment: Therefore they are Still continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

Caleb Shearman having caused his paper to be read as Expressed last monthly meeting with is accepted for satisfaction

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A Paper of Denial against James Howland was signed in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the same publickly at the Close of a meeting of Worship on first day of the week and to make report thereof next monthly meeting and John Williams reports he hath informed said Howland as ordered

The Clerk reports that the Testimony against Elizabeth Gifford and Hannah Wilcox have been Read as ordered last monthly meeting

Stephen Gifford paper having been read as ordered is now accepted for satisfaction - and is as followeth

To the monthly meeting next to be held at Danagonset on the 18<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779 Dear friend - Whom I some time past have so far departed from the Principles of Truth as to fall into the Sin of Fornication as appears by my wife having a Child so soon after marriage, for which miscondt I am humbly sorry for and do condemn, desiring God may forgive me, and that friends would so far pass this mine offence by as to let me remain under their Care from your unsiggned friend Stephen Gifford

The friends appointed in the case of Stephen Russell report they have taken the necessary care in that respect, but think best said matter be continued, thence it is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of said friends who we then to make report

The Friends appointed to Oversee the marriag of Nathaniel Gifford and Nehelabel Trassford report they attended the same which was orderly accomplished as far as they could discover

The friends appointed to Revise and Correct this meetings minutes and to settle account with the Treasurer make report they have fulfilled the same, and have Left said minutes with Clerk to go on record - They also report there remains in the Treasury 197 - 2 - 0 in paper money and 4 - 2 - 6 in silver money

The matter in regard to Enlarging Sandwich Quarterly meeting having been under Consideration of this meeting, and divers friends Expressed their opinions, It is refered to next month meeting

A Removal Certificate for Benjamin Sawdy his Wife and Children was signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting at Saratog and East Hoopuck a former one having been Granted by this meeting which he hath not Received

Given Howland hath given in an account for keeping Alice Smith from the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1779 being 20 weeks and 5 days at a silver Dollar pr week or the Value thereof, to be paid in such money as the meeting Collects, amounting in Silver Lawfull money to 20 - 5 - 0 which this meeting allow and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same and make report next monthly meeting

Humphry Russell and Belbiah Eldrech after obtain consent of parents Declared their Intentions taking each other in marriage and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer: and Benjamin Taber and Joseph Gifford are appointed to Inquire into the young mens Cleavness and to make report next monthly meeting

A few lines directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich was signed in this meeting Informing them that Joshua Shearman and his son Joshua had some time past removal Certificates from this meeting and by Informa- tion had not delivered them

The friends appointed to Collect our Books report they have made some progress therein: they are Still continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform that James Bowditch hath married out of the Unity of Friends, and his wife hath had a Child soon after marriage: Therefore this meeting doth appoint John Williams and Seth Russell to Treat with him therefor and to make report to next monthly meeting They also to draw a paper of denial against him if he do not make them satisfaction

1<sup>st</sup> month 1780

overseers

Report of friends attended Quarterly meeting

The church a Controversy on account of attending Quarterly meeting is referred

The report in regard of books

The friend appointed to Treat with Gilbert Russell

The Friend Continued to have the care of Humphry Howland

These two Last Paraprafts

2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780

Philip Maccomber's Report

The matter respecting Humphry Howland

Received a removal certificate

The friends appointed to Treat with Gilbert Russell

Caleb Shearman

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2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1780  
A Ricketson  
paper  
order to pay  
of Howland

Abraham Ricketson hath given in a paper to this meeting concerning his former misconduct. Particularly forgercing for which he was Denied: Therefore this meeting doth approve Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith to confer with him on that account and make report next Monthly meeting

This meeting orders the Treasurer to pay Timothy Howland five dollars or the Value thereof in paper for keeping the meeting house half a year

This meeting Collected in paper --- 13 -- 13 -- 0  
In Silver --- 00 -- 15 -- 5

3<sup>rd</sup> month  
1780

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives were Thomas Hicks and Benjamin Rider present

of Russell  
paper  
Excepted

The Committee appointed to Treat with Gilbert Russell report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein, and that he gave them a degree of satisfaction: Therefore this meeting doth except this paper Concerning his misconducts Provided he Couse the same to be read Publickly in the Usual manner and return this to next monthly meeting

H Howland  
Case  
Continued

The friends continued to have the care of Humphry Howland and report that he hath given them a degree of satisfaction: Therefore this meeting yet there appearing something in his habit that friends are not fully satisfied with therefore it is Refered to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before in order for them to prevail upon him to desist from wearing such apparel as well as to convince him of the Evil thereof, and to make report next monthly meeting

J Russell  
Received

The friends appointed to Treat with Aphas Russell report that they have had several conferences with him on the account of his disorder for which he was disowned) who hath given a degree of satisfaction: Therefore he is Received into membership again

B Locum  
received

The Women friends Inform they have Received a Removal Certificate for Bethiah Locum wife of Jonathan Locum

of Wilbur  
Certificate

This meeting hath signed a removal Certificate for Hannah Willson Directed to the Monthly meeting at the Ninepartners: She being about to Remove there

The Clerk reports the Testimony of Denial against James Howland hath been read as ordered at our Last monthly meeting; which is as followeth

J Howland  
Testimony of denial

Whereas James Howland having made Profession with us the People called Quakers: But for want of adhering to the dictates of best Wisdom, hath so far deviated from our Christian principles, as to take the Command of an Armed Vessel for which he hath been Laboured with in Love to reclaim him from such practices: But our endeavors not having the desired Effect, and he declining to condemn the same: We are therefore Concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against such Conduct Hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society until he shall come to a right and sense of his out goings, and by unfeigned Repentance return to the way of Truth, which is our Earnest desire

Signed in and on behalf our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1780

by William Anthony Junr Clerk

Report of  
of Russell  
Clearness

The Friend appointed to Inquire into the clearness of Humphry Russell report they have made Inquiry and find nothing to hinder his proceeding

Answer  
given to  
of Russell

Humphry Russell and Bethiah Eldrich appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before the next monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are Benjamin Taber and William Anthony Junr and they to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to collect this meetings books report they have been in a progress therein and they not being all collected: they are still continued in said service and to make report when they find freedom

2<sup>nd</sup> month  
1780  
of Bowdish  
owned

The friends appointed to Treat with James Bowdish report they have fulfilled the same, but that he did not incline to make friends any satisfaction: Therefore he is hereby disowned from being a member of our Society, and said friends have drafted a Testimony of Denial against said Bowdish which hath been Read and signed in this in this meeting and the Clerk is ordered to read the same publickly as usual, and report thereof next monthly meeting - And John Williams is appointed to inform said Bowdish of his denial and make report next monthly meeting

of Ricketson  
Continued

The friends appointed to Confer with Abraham Ricketson report that hath gone away and that they have not had opportunity to Treat with him therefore they are still continued in said service, and make report when they have accomplished the same

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Timothy Howland as ordered he is therefore directed to do it and make report to next monthly meeting

of Barker  
Certificate  
Requested for  
Barker

David Barker Requested a Certificate for his son Asa Barker to the monthly meeting, Sandwich he being gone there to Live as an apprentice: Therefore Joseph Gifford and Joseph Taber Junr are appointed to take the necessary care in that respect and to draw one for him and bring it next monthly meeting

of Hathaway  
Certificate  
Requested for  
Hathaway

We being Informed that the Widow Hathaway and her family being about to remove from hence to Rhode Island to Live: Therefore Joseph Barker and Samuel Smith are appointed to take the needful care in that Respect and to draw a removal Certificate for them if they find things clear: They to Join with the Women friends in said case and report to next monthly meeting

of Smith's  
Certificate

There was a Certificate signed in this meeting by the Clerk for Hephiah Smith directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners: so he hath thought of going there to make some stay in his Labour

of Quaries  
answered

The Queries were answered in this Meeting, and an Epistle signed directed to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives William Hicks, Samuel Smith, and William Anthony Junr and Abiel Gifford and they to report next monthly meeting

of Howland  
not paid

The Treasurer having not paid Gideon Howland he is desired to accomplish It and make report to next monthly meeting

Collected in paper --- 18 -- 12 -- 2  
Collected in Silver --- 0 -- 11 -- 8

4<sup>th</sup> month  
1780

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called John Devel present Elijah Gifford who was appointed at the Preparative meeting not present

of Ricketson  
paper  
had

Gilbert Russell caused his paper to be publickly Read and returned to this, as ordered Last monthly meeting - Which is as followeth

Which is as  
follows

To the Preparative and Monthly meeting of Friends to be hold at - Dartmouth the 10<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1779  
Whereas I some time past did Inconsiderately go on a Military Guard which I now am sorry for and do Condemn desiring friends to pass it by and let me remain under their Care from your friend Gilbert Russell

of Howland  
not referred

The matter of Humphry Howland is referred to next monthly meeting by reason but one of the Committee being present and the said Committee then to make report

of Russell's  
marriage

The Friends appointed to see Humphry Russell and Bethiah Eldriches Marriage solemnized report they attended said marriage and saw nothing but that it was in a degree orderly

of Bowdish's  
paper  
read

The Clerk Reports that James Bowdish's paper of Denial hath been Read as ordered, and John Williams report he hath informed said Bowdish of his denial - Which is as followeth

Which is as  
How

Whereas James Bowdish having had a Right of membership with us the People called Quakers in Dartmouth: - But for want of taken heed to his reproof of Infirmation in his own heart hath so far gone a way as to put



4 month  
1780

Be found guilty of the sin of Fornication as appears by his wife having a Child soon after marriage and also neglects the attendance of our religious Meetings: For which offences he having been treated with, but declines to Condemn the same to friends satisfaction. - We therefore give this forth as a Publick Testimony against such conduct, hereby disowning him the said James Bowditch from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting - Nevertheless desiring he may come to a sense of his outgoings and return is our desire.  
Signed in and on behalf of our afore said meeting held in Dartmouth  
this 20<sup>th</sup> day of 3<sup>rd</sup> mo 1780  
By William Anthony Secy

G Howland paid

The Treasurer reports he hath paid Gideon Howland the money as directed Last monthly meeting but he not having paid Timothy Howland; therefore he is continued to accomplish the same, and to report next monthly meeting

Report of Representatives

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended but Thomas Hicks who sent a reasonable excuse and they produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read and well accepted

B. Mather proposed marriage

Barnabus Mather and Ruth Anthony appeared in this meeting and Declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in marriage; and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answers; and John Devoe and Abiel Gifford are appointed to inquire into the young mans cleanness; Respecting marriage and report next monthly meeting

Advice to Collect Friends Sufferings

Received from the meeting for Suffering some regulations for taking Friend Sufferings; which we desire the Comitty. appointed in our meeting some time past for to collect friends sufferings - To observe & comply with

adjourned meet

This meeting Adjourns till to morrow after meeting; which meeting being called by reason of a Funeral  
Met by adjournment the 18<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called John Devoe present. Elijah Gifford not present

Certificate for A. Devoe

The Committee appointed to draw a Certificate for Asa Barber not being present the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and said friends continued in the same services then they to make report

E. Hathaway Certificate

The friends appointed last monthly meeting to Joine the women friends in drawing a Removal Certificate for Elizabeth Hathaway and family not appearing having accomplished the same by reason the mother was not present to the Womens meeting said friends are therefore still continued in said services and to make report to next monthly meeting

The case of J. Shearman & son

Whereas Joshua Shearman and his son Joshua having some years past removed from hence into the Company of Sandwich monthly meeting and having removal Certificates; but as we are informed of late they have not delivered said certificates to said meeting; This meeting therefore appoints our friends John Williams and Caleb Green to Treat with them the said Joshua and son on the account of their great neglect, and to Inquire into their conduct since removed and make report next monthly meeting

A Devoe Certificate

Asa Devoe request a Certificate to the monthly meeting at Sandwich setting forth his cleanness respecting marriage. Therefore Joseph Barker and Thomas Hicks are appointed to take the needful care in that respect and bring one to next monthly meeting

L. Shearman Disowned

The Women friend Inform they have denied Lois Shearman now wife of Andrew Shearman which this meeting concurs with  
Collected in paper money - 13 - 17  
In silver money - 00 - 5

5 month  
1780

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 13<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and Joseph Tucker Secy present

H. Howland case granted

The Committee appointed to Treat with Humphrey Howland not giving in a satisfactory report from him; nor yet fully clear in their appointment  
Discharge

5 month  
1780

Discharge of their appointment they are therefore continued in said service and to make report when they find themselves clear in that matter

The Treasurer

The Treasurer not having paid Timothy Howland as directed last monthly meeting; he is therefore continued for that service and to make report next monthly meeting

The Friends

The Friends appointed to Inquire into the cleanness of Barnabus Mather in Report they have taken due care in that respect and find nothing to hinder his proceeding marriage

Barnabus Mather and Ruth Anthony

Barnabus Mather and Ruth Anthony appeared for their answer which was, that they might proceed to take Each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting; advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same, who are Abiel Gifford and John Devoe and they to report next monthly meeting

One of the Committee

One of the Committee that this meeting appointed to Collect friends Sufferings being deceased: Our friends Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford and Caleb Green are now added for that service

A Certificate for Asa Barker

A Certificate for Asa Barker son of David Barker was signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting at Sandwich being gone to live as an apprentice there

The friends appointed to Treat with Joshua Shearman

The friends appointed to Treat with Joshua Shearman and his son Joshua make report that they have fulfilled their appointment therein; and that Joshua Shearman Senior doth condemn his not giving his Certificate to the meeting it was directed to and some other of his misconduct; but he being in the unwarrantable practice of the neglect of the due attendance of Religious meetings: Therefore said Committee are continued to treat further with him and to make report next monthly meeting

They also report

They also report that the young man hath attended separate meetings and that he gave them no satisfaction therein; Therefore this meeting doth disown him from being a member of the Society; and the said Committee are ordered to draw a Testimony of denial against him and disown him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

A Certificate for Abner Devoe

A Certificate for Abner Devoe directed to Sandwich monthly meeting setting forth his cleanness respecting marriage was signed in this meeting

A Removal Certificate for Elizabeth Hathaway

A Removal Certificate for Elizabeth Hathaway and husband of her children as were members of this meeting directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich was signed in this meeting they being gone there to live

Also a Removal Certificate for Lydia Barker

Also a Removal Certificate for Lydia Barker and her four daughters directed to the monthly meeting at the Ninepartners was signed in this meeting they being about to remove thither

Also a Removal Certificate for Martha Greene

Also a Removal Certificate for Martha Greene directed to the monthly meeting at East Greenwich, she having gone to reside there

Gideon Howland has given a bill

Gideon Howland hath given in a Bill for keeping Alice Smith from the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month including 26 weeks at a silver of the 15<sup>th</sup> month last to the 28<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month as the meeting Collects together Dollar per week or its value in such money as the meeting Collects together with the addition of two dollars for keeping her when sick amounting to the sum of 8 - 8 - 0<sup>0</sup> hard money which this meeting allow and Order the Treasurer to pay when supplied with money  
Collected in silver - 1 - 1 - 17  
Collected in paper - 13 - 10 - 0

Out of which Collection

Out of which Collection Eight Shillings was paid to William Mather and Samue Smith. Who have Reimbursed said sum to pay for two of John Churchmans Journals for this meeting

A Paper directed to the monthly meeting

A Paper directed to the monthly meeting at East Greenwich and Sandwich requesting them to Enquire into the Late Conversation of Deborah Willbor and make some return to this meeting. said Paper was signed in this Meeting, and the Clerk is ordered to take a Copy thereof and To keep on file



6 month 1780

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 6 month 1780 The Representatives are Elijah Gifford Thomas Hicks and Benjamin Smith's all present

John Lloyd's Visit

Our Friend John Lloyd attended this meeting with a Certificate from the monthly meeting held at Quynedd in the County of Philadelphia Dated the 25<sup>th</sup> of 4 month 1780 which was Read to Satisfaction and his Visit and Labour in the Service of the Gospel well accepted

Received a Certificate for Stephen Buffinton

Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Swazey bearing date the 5<sup>th</sup> of the 6 month 1780 For Stephen Buffinton his wife Sarah and their Children, they having removed here to reside

Howland paid

The Treasurer reports he hath paid Timothy Howland as ordered

Report of Barnabie Mosher marriage

The friends appointed to oversee the marriage of Barnabie Mosher and Ruth Anthony report they attended his marriage and did no see but that it was accomplished orderly

The case of Joshua Shearman continued

The friends who were appointed to Treat with Joshua Shearman and to draw a Testimony of Denial against Joshua Shearman Junior Request that matter may be refer'd to next monthly meeting as they have not had opportunity to accomplish the same

Complaint against Joseph Smith and his son John

The Overseers Inform by way of the Preparative meeting that Joseph Smith and his son John, and William Taber and his son Edward have been in the practice of attending such meetings as are held out of the Unity of Friends, and that he the said John Smith hath allowed some of said meetings to be held in his own house, and said Overseers and other friends having laboured with them for their misconduct, but they still continue to persist in and justify the same, and much neglect the attending our meetings, therefore we appoint our friend, Elijah Gifford, Seth Russell, Thomas Hicks, John Dewol, Jonathan Willbor, and William Anthony Jun. To labour further with them and to Endeavour in Love and meekness to convince them of the Evil tendency of such a practice and to restore them to unity with friends again, and to make report next monthly meeting

E Hathaway's Certificate returned another hat

The Removal Certificate that was signed at our last monthly meeting for Elizabeth Hathaway and her Children being now returned by reason of another hat being incorrect, these in and another was ppated and signed in this meeting in the Lieu thereof

Queries answered

The Queries were Read and answers thereto prepared, approved and signed, and the Epistle to the Quarterly meeting Read, signed and sent to the said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Able

Representatives to the Quarterly meeting

William Anthony Jun and Caleb Greene and they to make early meeting report next monthly meeting

The Treaty of attending by our yearly meeting

This meeting hath been informed by one of the Committee appointed by our yearly meeting, that they are to Treat with this meeting respecting being added to Sandwich Quarter: And Requesting our attention by a Committee, which is refer'd to next monthly meeting

A Army's Certificate received Copy of the same read for J Lloyd

The Women friend informs they have received a removal Certificate for Ann Army from the monthly meeting of Rhode Island she having been removed here to Inhabit A Copy of the minute respecting the Visit and Service of our Friend John Lloyd was taken of and signed in this meeting by the Clerk: and delivered to him for his use when he may return home to his friends This meeting Collected in silver -- 0 -- 17 -- 3/4 In paper -- 23 -- 01 -- 0

7 month 1780

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 7 month 1780 The Representatives are Caleb Russell and William Mosher - present

Report from Quarterly meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report they all attended agreeable to appointment and have produced an Epistle from the same dated March

1780

Which was Read to good acceptance, wherein is Recommended a supply to supply the yearly meeting Treasury with one hundred pounds: Copies of Epistles from our last yearly meeting, a written one from London of the year 1779 and one from Pennsylvania of the 9<sup>th</sup> month last were all read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

Removal Certificate

A removal Certificate for Jonathan Hewit his wife Experience and their child Martha was read in this meeting and accepted they being removed here to Inhabit

The case of Joshua Shearman

The matter continued respecting Joshua Shearman and Joshua Shearman Jun<sup>r</sup> not being fully satisfied they are still refer'd to next monthly meeting, and the same friends as before are continued in that service and to report to next monthly meeting

Joseph Smith and his son John

The greater part of the friends appointed to Treat with Joseph Smith and his son John, and William Taber and his son Edward make report that they or the most of them, have accomplished said service, and that all and each one of them in particular, persisted to justify their misconduct in attending separate meetings without retracting the same nor desiring Friends to wait further with them: Therefor this meeting taking the matter into Salled consideration, do conclude to disown the said Joseph Smith, his son John, and William Taber and his son Edward, and said Committee are appointed to draw a Testimony or Testimonies against them and Inform them thereof and bring it to next next monthly meeting

Committee appointed on account of Ebenezer Mosher

The matter in regard to appointing a Committee to Treat with the yearly meetings Committee Respecting enlarging Sandwich Quarter was Conferr'd, and its appoint our Friends Samuel Smith Abel Gifford William Mosher, Caleb Russell, William Anthony Jun, Thomas Hicks, Elijah Gifford, and John Williams, for that service and to make report when they have accomplished the same

Benjamin Smith's account

Benjamin Smith Jun. hath given in an account to this meeting for keeping Alice Smith about 10 weeks in the year 1776 amounting to 10 sh 6d Tennot which is approved, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when supplied with money by this meeting

A Testimony of denial

A Testimony of denial against Stephen Mosher was signed in this meeting James Allen being about to take a Journey to East Windsor and on in order to make some stay there: and hath Inform'd this meeting thereof: and as he is a member of our Society the Clerk is ordered to give him a Copy of this minute

The Women Friends

The Women Friends Inform that John Blooms wife and Children have again having removed to Rhode Island, and as there are several Sons among them in account children: This meeting doth appoint Joseph Tucker Jun Joseph Barker and Thomas Hicks to assist and bring with the Women in making inquiry into their Circumstances, and prepare a Certificate for them if they find things Clear

David Barker and Sons

And also to draw a Certificate for David Barker and Sons who hath removed into the Company of the Nine partners monthly meeting of an Inquiry they may think proper and refer'd to next monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of 8 month 1780 The Representatives are Elijah Gifford and Caleb Green present

Testimony of denial against Joshua Shearman

The friends appointed to Draft a Testimony of denial against Joshua Shearman Jun<sup>r</sup>, have performed the same and brought it to read this meeting, which was signed by the Clerk who is ordered to read it publicly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meeting: They also report they have Inform'd him of said denial as directed Last monthly meeting: The said Committee also report they have done



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Testimonies of denial against Joseph Smith and his son John

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Complaint against E. Smith

Certificate requests for J Gifford

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Friends desired to meet clear some land

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Have treated with John Shearman Senior and that he did not give them satisfaction. Therefore he is disowned & he & his wife from being a member of our Religious Society, and said Committee are appointed to inform him hereof and to make report next monthly meeting

Testimonies of denial against Joseph Smith and his son John, William Tabor and his wife Mary, and their son Edward, and daughter Patience, were signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to read them publicly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meetings, and the Committee who had the care of these matters are desired to inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to inform and assist the women in regards to Martha Slacum (wife of John Slacum) and their Childrens Certificate, none the matter is not accomplished, they are therefore continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting

The same Committee being appointed to draw a Certificate for David Barker and sons who report, that things are not fully clear, they are therefore still continued in the same service and to make report next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform by the way of the preparative meeting that Eliza Smith hath been in the practice of attending meetings that are held out of the Unity of our Society, and hath been laboured with to desist but he still continues to justify himself therein and hath no desire that friends should wait any longer for him to consider of said matter; yet this meeting doth appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Jr. and John Devol, to labour further with him the said Eliza Smith and if they do not find any satisfaction, to draft a Testimony of denial against him and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

Abiel Gifford desires Certificate for his son John Gifford selling forth his right of membership among us; to the monthly meeting of record let he having gone to reside within the verge of that meeting, with a friend - which is granted by these lines therefore the Clerk is ordered to give him a Copy of this minute

The Treasurer reports he hath paid Benjamin Smiths as ordered last monthly meeting

This meeting hath been informed that John Smith (son of Pelag) is removed to reside within the compass of East Hoosuck and Saratoga monthly meetings and as he hath a Birth right in the Society, this meeting doth appoint Eliza Smith and Benjamin Howland to draw a paper to Inform the meeting where he resides, the circumstances of him the said John Smith and make report next monthly meeting

Friends conclude to meet in general to clear up the land round our meeting house, therefore friends are desired to meet generally the 28<sup>th</sup> day for that purpose if the weather be suitable if not the first fair day

Collected in Silver - 7 - 5 - 7  
Collected in paper - 23 - 9 - 0

This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship  
Mett by adjournment this 30<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called, both present

As it is Recommend<sup>d</sup> in the last Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that one hundred pounds Lawful hard money be raised to supply the want of money for Caled Greene, James Tucker, George Smith, Jonathan Willborn, and Benjamin Gifford Jr. to be collected by subscriptions, such names as friends may have freedom to give, and pay the same to this meetings Treasurer, And make report to this meeting of the sum total so collected when called

As there will be Hay wanting at the Quarterly meeting Nicholas Lapham, William Barker, and Jonathan Willborn are appointed to procure some on that account.

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The Treasurer is ordered to pay Benjamin Howland the 3. five Silver Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year

Anne Gifford having desired our Certificate to the Quarterly meeting at Salem. She having it on her mind to visit that meeting; Therefore one was drafted and signed in this meeting setting forth her Unit unity and her acceptable publick Testimony

Whereas John Tabor some time past went up to the Ninepartners to make some stay there, and William Anthony, Jr. and Samuel Smith being appointed to inspect into his Circumstances, and finding things not clear was directed by this meeting to inform him of his disorder and to take what other needful work they may think proper in that respect and make report when ready according to the now report: That he the said John went away in a disorderly manner without the advice friends, or without the consent of his Guardian (he being under age) and he not having yet returned, nor any late account been received from him; Therefore this meeting doth still continue said Committee to make further inspection into the conduct of the said John Tabor as opportunity may offer and all therein as they in the hearings of Truth may see meet and make report when they may see fit

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of 9 month 1780  
The Representatives Benjamin Tabor and Jonathan Willborn - present

The Clerk reports, he have not read the denial of Joshua Shearman Tabor directed last monthly meeting, he is therefore still continued to perform it and make report next monthly meeting  
and John Williams reports that Joshua Shearman Senior hath been informed of his denial as ordered

The Clerk informs that the denial of Joseph Smith and John Smith hath been read as directed last monthly meeting and was informed of of their denial - - Which is as followeth

Whereas Joseph Smith, and his son John, having long made profession with us the people called Quaker and been under the care of this meeting; but have so far departed from the principles we profess, as to be frequent meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and some in publick Worship with them that are disowned by us the said people, also the said John Smith frequently abwith such meetings to seek in his house and friends having the most much Labour in love to reclaim them from such practices that are so contrary to the principles we profess. But our Labour not not having the desired effect to friends satisfaction and they continue to justify themselves therein Therefore for the maintaining the principles we profess are concerned to give forth this Testimony against them the said Joseph Smith and John Smith, hereby disowning them from being in Unity with us, and from under our care, yet if it be agreeable to Divine goodness, that they may be referred to the way of Truth and find mercy, which is our sincere desire  
Given forth and signed, and on behalf of our monthly meeting  
held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1780 by William Anthony, Jr. Clerk

The Clerk reports he hath not read the Testimony of denial against William Tabor his wife and their children, Edward and Patience he is desired to accomplish it and make report next monthly meeting  
and the Committee who had the care thereof are desired to inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for David Barker and also to sign the Women in drawing a Certificate for Martha Slacum and Children report that neither of them are accomplished they are therefore continued in said service and make report next monthly meeting



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Have Treated with Joshua Shearman Senior and that he did not give them satisfaction: Therefore he is disowned hereby from being a member of our Religious Society: and said Committee are appointed to Inform him hereof and to make report next monthly meeting

Testimonies of denial against

Joseph Smith and his son John and William Tabor and his wife Mary, and their son Edward, and daughter Patience, were signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is ordered to Read them publicly in the usual manner and make report next monthly meetings: and the Committee who had the care of these matters are desired to Inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meetings

Certificate for

The friends appointed to Joine and assist the women in regard to Martha Stocum (wife of John Stocum) and their Childrens Certificate: report the matter is not accomplished: they are therefore continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting

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David Barker and sons who report that things are not fully clear, they are therefore still continued in the same Service and to make report next monthly meeting

Complaint against

The overseers Inform by the way of the preparative meeting that Eliza Smith hath been in the practice of attending meetings that were held out of the Unity of our Society: and hath been bloused with to desist but he still continues to justify himself therein and hath no desire that friends should wait any longer for him to consider of said matter: yet this meeting doth appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Junr and John Devol, to confer further with him the said Eliza Smith and if they do not find any satisfaction to draft a Testimony of denial against him and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

Certificate requested for

Abiel Gifford desires Certificate for his son John Gifford selling forth his right of membership among us to the monthly meeting of Record as he having gone to reside within the verge of that meeting, with a friend - which is granted by these lines therefore the Clerk is ordered to give him a Copy of this minute

Smith is paid

The Treasurer reports he hath paid Benjamin Smith's as ordered last monthly meeting

Certificate requested for

This meeting hath been informed that John Smith (son of Pelag) is removed to reside within the compass of East Haverhill and Saratoga monthly meetings: and as he hath a Birth right in the Society, this meeting doth appoint Benjamin Smith and Benjamin Howland to draw a paper to Inform the meeting where he resides, the Circumstances of him the said John Smith and make report next monthly meeting

Friends desired to meet clear

Friends concludes to meet in general to clear up the land round our meeting house: therefore friends are desired to meet generally the 28<sup>th</sup> day of that purpose if the weather be suitable if not the first fair day

Collected in Silver - 5 - 1 - 7  
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This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

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Met by adjournment this 30<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780

The Representatives being called, both present

Friends appointed

As it is Recommended in the last Epistle from the Quarterly meeting that one hundred pounds Lawful hard money be raised to supply the yearly meeting Treasury: Therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends James Tucker, George Smith, Jonathan Willbor, and Benjamin Gifford Junr to collect by subscriptions, such sums as said meeting may have freedom to give, and pay the same to this meetings Treasury: And make report to this meeting of the sum total so Collected when required

Friends appointed to procure

As there will be Hay wanting at the Quarterly meeting Nicholas Lapham, William Barker, and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to procure some on that account

with 75<sup>th</sup> of the year

The Treasurer is Ordered to pay Benjamin Howland the 3<sup>rd</sup> five Silver Dollars for keeping the meeting house half a year

Certificate for

Anne Gifford having desired our Certificate to the Quarterly meeting at Salem, she having it on her mind to visit that meeting: Therefore one was drafted and signed in this meeting setting forth her Unity and her acceptable publick Testimony

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Whereas John Toller some time past went up to the Ninepartners to make some stay there: and William Anthony's, and Samuel Smith being appointed to make some inquiry into his Circumstances, and finding things not clear was directed by this meeting to inform him of his disorder: and to take what other needful care they may think proper in that respect and make report when ready accordingly they now report: That he the said John went away in a disorderly manner without the advice, friends, or without the consent of his Guardians being under age: and he not having yet returned, nor any late account been received from him: Therefore this meeting doth still continue said Committee to make further inspection into the conduct of the said John Toller as opportunity may offer and set therein as they in the Readings of Truth may see meet and make report when they may see fit

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Att a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives Benjamin Tabor and Jonathan Willbor - present

minutes read

The Clerk reports he have not read the denial of Joshua Shearman as directed last monthly meeting, he is therefore still continued to perform it and make report next monthly meeting  
and John Williams reports that Joshua Shearman Senior, hath been informed of his denial as ordered

minutes read

The clerk informs that the denial of Joseph Smith and John Smith hath been read as directed last monthly meeting: and was informed of their denial - - Which is as followeth

Testimony of denial against

Whereas Joseph Smith, and his son John, having long made profession with us the people called Quaker and been under the care of this meeting; but have so far departed from the principles we profess as to frequent meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and Joine in publick Worship with them that are disowned by us the aforesaid people: and the said John Smith frequently alowth such meetings to attend in his house and friends having bestowed much Labour on him to reclaim them from such practices that are so contrary to the principles we profess: But our Labour not not having the desired effect to friends satisfaction and they continue to justify themselves therein: Therefore for the maintaining the principles we profess not concerned to give forth this Testimony against them: the said Joseph Smith and John Smith, hereby disowning them from being in Unity with us, and from under our care: yet if it be agreeable to Divine goodness, that they may be restored to the way of Truth and find mercy, which is our inward desire

Given forth and signed and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780 by William Anthony the Clerk

minutes read

The clerk reports he hath not read the Testimony of denial against William Tabor his wife and their children, Edward and Patience he is desired to accomplish it and make report next monthly meeting  
and the Committee who had the care thereof are desired to Inform them of their denial and make report next monthly meeting

minutes read

The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for David Barker and also to give the Women in drawing a Certificate for Martha Stocum and Children report that neither of them are accomplished they are therefore continued in said Service and make report next monthly meeting



9 month 1780 The Friends appointed to Treat with Elias Smith not having accomplished the same they are desired to fulfil said Service and report next monthly meeting

John Smith son of Peleg deceased having removed to East Hoopack a few lines directed to that meeting, setting forth his having a birth right in the Society was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Benjamin Howland 3 for keeping the meeting house as ordered; he is now ordered to pay the said Benjamin six dollars and two thirds for keeping house 8 months last past and make report next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform that Ameziah Taber (son of William) is in the Practice of attending meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and hath been Laboured with by said Overseers and he readily Justifies himself therein Therefore we do appoint John Williams and Stephen Buffinton to Treat with him the said Ameziah, and if they do not find Satisfaction they are to draft a Testimony of his denial and inform him thereof, and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

Humphry Shearman and Macey Lapham having declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage, they are desired to wait till our proposals monthly meeting for their answer and our friends Benjamin Smith 2 and William Sanford are appointed to Enquire into the going mans Clearness in respect to marrying and they to make report to next monthly meeting

We appoint our friends James Tucker, Nicholas Lapham and Philip Macomber to June the Overseers of the poor, and Endeavor to sell wood off of the meeting, to pay the Expence of supporting our poor, if they think proper when they Inspect the wood and to cut as much as they shall think best for the meeting, and no more, and make report to this meeting from time to time when it is accomplished, with account of the Wood so Cut

Whereas some time past this meeting did appoint a Committee of Friends to Joine the Overseers in Visiting and stirring up the neglect members thereof and now some of said friends with some others having accomplished said Services, have now made report of doings therein which is well accepted and ordered to be recorded, with is as followeth

Whereas some time past some Friends were appointed to assist the Overseers in Treating with some of our Neglect members, and some that appointed with some other friends having had a concern on their minds to Joine and make a General Visit to friends families through our monthly meeting, for the revivual of our Antient Discipline in stirring up the Careless Lukewarm Indolent members to Love and good works; and having Drawings int our minds, not only to the disobedient but those that are selling their faces Zion wards, in order to Encourage and strengthen one another with desires that the worst places may yet be rebuilt, and by being willing to be Obedient our weak minds, strengthened from time to time Through the many deep Exercises of mind in weighing a Service and for Plead and Satisfaction therein, which is a sufficient Reward

And now after having accomplished said Visit which in general was well accepted, yet not without some Exceptions in some particular families

It Remains to give an account of the State of Friends in our meeting We Trust there are some that are Labouring to do their days work in the day time, which we believe deserves a word of Encouragement, though Faith seems to be low so that it might be truly said as formerly by whom shall Jacob, or the true seed arise, which is in our, but small and much pressed down with the many things that are hurtful, Especially by the Love of money Pride and selfishness of God

Dated 15 of 9 month 1780  
Fresom Rider Thomas Hicks  
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Abiel Gifford Informed the preparative meeting also, this meeting that he desired to be dismissed from the place of an Overseer, Friends having weightily considered thereof do dismiss him according to his request, his Service having been well accepted

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This meeting adjourns, to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worships

Met by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 5 month 1780  
The Representatives being called both present

Zebulon Connel having given in a paper to this meeting his falling into the sin of Fornication, with all other of his misconduct and request to be removed out of Friends care again, and as he is removed into the company of East Hoopack and Innitoga monthly meeting and cannot conveniently be treated by us here, this meeting doth appoint our friends Samuel Smith and William Anthopast to Write to that meeting requesting them in our behalf to Endeavor to discover the Sincerity of him the said Zebulon Connel and Inform us thereof

Jonathan Hussey and Isaac Wood attended this meeting and each produced a few lines from the meeting at East Hoopack and Innitoga setting forth their concurrence with said friends with among us which said lines were satisfactory and their Visit well accepted

John Allen (son of Jonathan) hath given in a paper to this meeting requesting to be taken under friends care therefore our friends William Hussey and Abiel Gifford are appointed to take an opportunity of being in conference with the petitioner in order to discover the motive of his request and make report thereof next monthly meeting

An additional choice of Overseers hath been proposed and referred to next monthly meeting for further Consideration

The Queries were answered and an Epistle signed in this meeting for the Quarterly meeting and said answers with said Epistle forwarded to said Quarterly meetings by our Representatives who are Thomas Hicks, Abiel Gifford, Elijah Gifford and Caleb Ruspell and they to make report next monthly meeting

As there have been several Public friends lately removed by death from among us, and our discipline requiring that some Testimony or particular account of such friends be transmitted to the Quarterly and yearly meetings, this meeting doth appoint our Friends, Thomas Hicks, Caleb Ruspell, William Hussey and Abiel Gifford, to collect the necessary particulars in order, and to draft such Testimony or Testimonies, if they shall think it necessary and make report when they have accomplished the same they to Joine herein with Samuel Smith who was formerly appointed for that Service with Humphry Smith but the said Humphry being accepted the above friends are appointed in his stead

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of 10 month 1780

The Representatives being Caleb Ruspell and Abiel Gifford both present

The matter of an additional choice of Overseers being considered and several nominated, but said matter is still continued to next monthly meeting

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimonies of denials of Joshua Shearman Jnr, William Taber and his WIFE and their son Edward and Daughter Patience agreeable to appointment, but they not being informed of their denials, as we hear off, therefore Samuel Smith is desired to Inform them the said Tabers of their denials and make report next monthly meeting - Their said denials are as Followeth

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Out of unity of our Society neglecting the attendance of our meetings of Worship and discipline and he not inclining to condemn the same after of our Labours of Love therein - Therefore for the clearing of Friends and Friends, we are concerned to give forth this as a Testimony against him the said Joshua Shearman for as not being a member of our Society, yet asserting he may be favoured with a sight of his errands out going, and that he may find a return to the way of Truth Given forth and signed on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1780

By William Anthony, Jr. Clerk

Whereas William Taber and his wife Mary Taber, and Edward Taber his son, and Patience Taber their daughter having all made profession with us the people called Quakers and been under the care of this meeting But hath so far departed from the principles we profess, as to frequent meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and Joine in publick Worship with them who are disowned by us the people afore said, and the said Patience also appearing disagreeable in some of her dress and friends having laboured much in love to reclaim them from such practices but our labours not having its desired effect to friends satisfactions and they continue to busy themselves therein: therefore for the maintaining the principles we profess we are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against them the said William Taber and Mary his wife, and Edward Taber and Patience Taber their Children hereby disowning them from being in unity with us and from under the care of this meeting: yet if it be agreeable to divine good ness, that they may be reformed to the way of Truth and find mercy is our sincere desire Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month 1780

By William Anthony, Jr. Clerk  
Susanna Smith - Clerk

The friends appointed to draw a Certificate for David Barker not finding things clear, are still continued in said service and to make report when it is fulfilled

The friends appointed to treat with Elishah Smith report they have performed their appointment but that he did not give them any satisfaction in regard to his misconduct: Therefore they have drafted a Testimony against him, which after being read and considered was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to read it in the next meeting and make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to treat with Amaziah Taber (son of William) not having accomplished the same, they are still continued in said service and to make report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer reports he hath not paid Benjamin Howland's as ordered there not being a deficiency in Stock he is nevertheless ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money by this meeting and to make report

The Friends appointed to discover the motive of the request of John Allen desires that matter refered to next monthly meeting which is referred under their care they are then to make report

The Representative to the last Quarterly meeting report, that they all report attended and produced an Epistle from that meeting which was read in this meeting and well accepted

The Overseers Inform by the way of the preparative meeting that Caleb Duggins has married out of the Unity of Friends after being precluded by said Overseers; therefore the said David Briggs is disowned as a member of our Society and from under our care and Jonathan Willbor is appointed to inform him of the same and report there at next monthly meeting

Our Friends Isaac Kelley from East Hoosick, James South Island, Barton and Samuel Hammond from Nine Partners hath attended this meeting with Certificates from the respective monthly meetings they were

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Which were read in this meeting in satisfaction, and their Wills well accepted all which were Indorsed with a few lines and signed by the Clerk

The Friends appointed to inquire into the cleanness of Humphry Shearman Report they find nothing material to hinder his proceeding in marriage

Humphry Shearman and Mary Lapham appeared for their answer, which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are William Sanford and Benjamin Smith and they to make report next monthly meeting

Hezekiah Smith returned a Certificate which was granted him by this meeting some months past, it being Indorsed at the month meeting of Nine Partners

A Removal Certificate for Martha Pocum and several of her Children whose names are Benjamin, Martha, John, Parlon, William, Sarah, Thomas, Christopher Elizabeth and Mary, was signed in this meeting directed to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island

A Testimony of denial against Mary Smith daughter of Jonathan Smith was signed in this meeting and the Clerk is directed to read the same publicly at the close of the meeting of Worship before next monthly meeting and then to make report of the same

The Women friends Inform they have denied Melchior Russell, now Abin Daughter of Jacob Russell deceased which this meeting concurs with

Our Friend Freeborn Rider informs us that she has a before to attend the Quarterly meeting next to be held at the Long Plain for land with and at the old meeting house at Cushman and desired our Certificate, these may inform that she is a Friend in Unity and her Publick Testimony well accepted and the Clerk is directed to give her a Copy of this minute

Our friend William Mosher hath informed this meeting of his Intention to go to the Nine Partners upon business, and hath thought of attending the Quarterly meeting at Oblong which this meeting approves; he being a Friend in Unity, and a member of the Select meeting; and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy of this minute to Inform Friends thereof

Our friends Ebenezer Allen and Thomas Allen informs this meeting that they intend to go to visit their friends and Relations at the Nine Partners And at East Hoosick and Saratoga; Which this meeting approves, and the Clerk is directed to give them a Copy hereof

Our Friend Eldb Greene informs this meeting of his Intention to go to the Oblong and Nine Partners and hath thought of attending the Quarterly meeting at Oblong on business which this meeting approves, he being in Unity and a member of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy hereof  
Collected in Silver money - - - 1 - - 5 - - 1  
Collected in paper money - - - 10 - - 10 - - 0

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of 11 month 1780  
The Representatives are Jonathan Willbor and Seth Kinsley for President

The matter of Chewing Overseer having again been under consideration and same is suspended until the expiration of the time of those that now stand as Overseers

William Taber, his wife Mary Samuel Smith informs he hath informed Edward Taber and Patience Taber their Son and daughter of their Denial

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Elishah Smith according to appointment which is as followeth

Whereas Elishah Smith son of Joseph Smith having made Profession with us the People called Quakers; But hath so far departed from the principles we profess that we make profession of as to attend separate meetings that are held out of the Unity of our Society, and join in publick Worship with them who have been



11 month 1780

Disowned in us and Friends having Laboured with him in Love to show him his misconduct therein: but their labours of Love not having the desired Effect; Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Eliahu Smith, hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society and from under the care of this meeting; yet we sincerely desire if it be consistent with divine wisdom that he may be favoured with a sense of his misconduct and find mercy.

Given forth by friends at their monthly meeting held in Dartmouth, the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1780 and signed in and by order of said meeting  
By William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk

A Taber Disowned

The friends appointed to Treat with Amazin Taber report they have fulfilled the same, but that he did not give them any satisfaction therein but justified his practice; therefore drafted and brought a Testimony of denial against him, and have informed him thereof, which was signed by the Clerk who is directed to read it publickly at the Close of a first day meeting for Worship and report the same at next monthly meeting.

The case of J Allen Continued

The friends appointed to confer with John Allen on his request have made a satisfactory report: nevertheless said matter is still continued under their care until next monthly meeting and then they to make report.

report of the Marriage of

The Marriage of Humphry Shearman and Nancy Lopham report they attended the same and that it was accomplished in a becoming manner.

C Briggs in

Jonathan Willbor reports he hath informed Caleb Briggs of his denial according to appointment.

M Smith read

The Clerk reports he hath Read the Testimony of denial of Mary Smith daughter of Jonathan Smith as appointed.

J Potter's request

Joshua Potter hath given in a paper to this meeting Requesting for himself and several young children Namely Esther Zephania, Gardner, Phoebe Patience and Apphia to be taken under the care of Friends. Therefore this meeting doth appoint William Maffher Thomas Hicks and Thomas Holtz to join the women friends and to take an opportunity of a Colled conference with him in order to discover the nature of his request, also to inspect the Circumstances and mak report next monthly meeting.

Benj Hathway's request

And Benjamin Hathway Jun<sup>r</sup> making the like request and Seth Russell, Stephen Buffinton and James Davis appointed for the same purpose as above and they to make report to next monthly meeting.

G Howland's request to be dismissed

Gideon Howland request to be dismissed from standing in the place of Overseer of the port which is granted and he dismissed accordingly.

G Howland's request to go to Europe

Gideon Howland informs this meeting of his Intention to go to Europe, to see some friends and to see his friends which he being a member of our Society and under the care of this meeting and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy of this minute.

Proposals for reprinting of

Proposals for Reprinting of John Griffiths Journals &c. Was Received from our meeting for sufferings; Therefore William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>, Abiel Gifford, and John Williams are appointed to take in Subscriptions for said Journals and make report when they have accomplished the same.

R Barker's proposal of taking

Robert Barker and Ruth Tucker declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer and Bannabus Maffher and John Deval are appointed to Enquire into the young mens cleanness and make report next monthly meeting.

Bills given in

The several following accounts were given in to this meeting which were examined and allowed viz  
To Thomas Willcox 5 12 6  
To Philip Marston for stay 1 12 3  
To William Barker 2 12 10  
All in Lawful hard money and the Treasurer

month 1780

And the Treasurer is Ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money and make report to this meeting.

out and

The Friends that were appointed to have the oversight of the meeting at Bedford. Report that it hath been kept up in a good degree. Orders of and still request same Continued as usual at Bedford; which is granted and the same to Continue until some Inconvenience attend the same and our friends Caleb Russell, Benjamin Tabor John Williams William Maffher Thomas Hicks, Benjamin Smith, Abiel Gifford and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to Visit said meeting when Convenience will allow and to make report to this meeting as frequently as they may see occasion.

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of 12 month 1780 The Representatives are Elijah Gifford and Joseph Tucker Jun<sup>r</sup> both present.

denial

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial of Amazin Taber, pursuant to appointment. Which is as followeth.

Whereas Amazin Taber

Whereas Amazin Taber (son of William) having made Profession with us the people called Quakers but hath been found in the practice of frequenting and joining with sepparate meetings not out of the Unity of our Society and we having discharged ourselves in Labours of Love to reclaim him the said Amazin but he still continues to justify the practice; Therefore for the clearing of Truth, we give this forth as a Testimony against him hereby disowning him from being one in Unity with us. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a sense of his outgiong and return to the way of Truth.

Given forth

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of 11 month 1780 signed in and by order of said meeting By William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk.

The Committee

The Committee appointed in the case of John Allen Request make the like report as at the Last monthly meeting which is satisfactory. Therefore he the said John Allen is Received under our care.

The Friends

The Friends appointed in the case of Joshua Potlers Request report that they have had a Conference with him in his family and received a degree of satisfaction, and the matter is referred to next monthly meeting and said friends still continued in said service and to make report next Monthly meeting.

And likewise

And likewise the Committee appointed in the like case with Benjamin Hathway Jun<sup>r</sup> Report that he gave them a good degree of satisfaction, which matter is also referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends Continued in said service, and then they to make report.

The Friends

The Friends appointed to inquire into the Cleanness of Robert Barker Report they have made inquiry, and find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage, agreeable to his proposal.

The Overseer

The Overseer Informed by way of the Reparative meeting that John Barker Benjamin Ricketson and William Howland have signed with a considerable Large Company of young people, and went together under pretence of merriment and eating of Quawhoop, and after providing and partaking of a considerable Entertainment at the Shore, both of provision and Spiritous Liquors; Several of them went to a house and there took very undue Liberty Even to music and Dancing; And said Overseer having Treated with them on that account, but they not giving them satisfaction therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Thomas Hicks and Joseph Gifford to treat farther with them therein and make report next monthly meeting.

The Friends

The Friends appointed to Collect money by way of Subscription to supply the Yearly meeting Treasury make report that they have fulfilled their appointments and have Collected the Sum of 50 7 35 L M and Delivered to this meetings Treasury for the use above said.



12 month  
1780 Robert Barker and Ruth Tucker appeared for their answer in regard to their proceeding in marriage: Which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, in some convenient time before next monthly meeting: Advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to see they had married orderly accomplished, who are our friends Barnabus Mosher and John Devoal; and they to make report next monthly meeting

E Smith Disavow  
The Women Friends inform they have disavowed Elizabeth Smith wife of Joseph Smith, which this meeting concurs with and the Clerk hath signed a Testimony of denial against her

Collected in hard money L 1 8 3  
In Paper - - - 3 - 6 - 00

adjourned  
This Meeting Adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship

met  
Met By adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 12<sup>th</sup> month 1780  
The Representatives being called are both Present

Queries answered  
The Queries were read and answers prepared in this meeting and an Epistle signed by the Clerks, which were ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Abiel Gifford William Anthony Junr Caled Green John Williams and they to Report to the next monthly meeting

Subscribers for Schools  
Our friends Samuel Smith, Caled Green, Jonathan Willbor and John Williams Mosher are appointed to procure and take in Subscriptions for Schools agreeable to a direction from the meeting for suffering of the ninth month Last thence said friends to make report when ready

B Rider  
Benjamin Rider appeared in this meeting and virbly condemned his own at the sitting of this meeting and dropt some Expressions by way of reflections on Benjamin Gifford which gave friends some uneasiness: But he appearing a souer said and condemning the same, friends concludes to accept of his admission for satisfaction

Testimony of a Query  
A Copy of a Manuscript Wrote by our beloved Friend Elizabeth Gidley de- scribing the making of this meeting formerly gave forth concerning her was re- ceived up to 2 m. in this meeting, and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives

1 month  
1781 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives, John Devoal and Joseph Tucker Junr Present

The copy of J Potters  
The friends appointed to confer with Joshua Potter and his young Children being called upon, report nothing different from that of Last monthly meeting, the matter is therefore referred to next Monthly meeting under the same care as before and said friends then to report

B. Hathway  
Likewise the friends appointed in the like case with Benjamin Hathway to make a satisfactory report, therefore this meeting doth receive him the said Benjamin Hathway under our care

Report of R. Barkers marriage  
The Friends appointed to oversee the Marriage of Robert Barker and Ruth Tucker report that they attended the same, and saw nothing but that it was accomplished orderly

Overseer appointed  
Our Friends Benjamin Smith, Caled Russell, Caled Greens, Elijah Gifford Seth Huddlestone and Joseph Barker, are appointed Overseers for the year ensuing, or till others are chosen. Who are desired diligently to attend to the Leadings of Truth, therein Endeavour to see that the Testimony there of be kept to in the several members thereof according to the discipline of the Church

overseer of the poor appointed  
Our Friends John Devoal, Jonathan Willbor, Philip Macomber, Thomas Mott, Nicholas Lapham, Seth Russell and Abraham Howland, are appointed Overseers of the Poor for the year ensuing

A Certificate for Nathaniel Sisson was produced and read in this meeting from the Monthly meeting at the Nine Partners sitting forth his Cleaveland respecting marriage: He hath also produced his mothers Consent for him to proceed in marriage with Grace Gifford - Therefore

Nathaniel Sisson and Grace Gifford declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage: and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer

This meeting collected in Silver 7 - - 11 - - 10  
In Paper - - - 2 - - 00

This Meeting adjourns to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for Worship

Met By adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called Joseph Tucker Junr Present John Devoal not Present by reason of indisposition of body

The Representatives from the Quarterly meeting report that the money for the yearly meetings Treasury was forwarded to the yearly meetings Treasury and a Receipt produced for the same

Nathaniel Gifford and Wife gave in a paper to the Preparative meeting Condemning their falling into the sin of Fornication, but said paper being mislaid it is Referred to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Treat with William Howland, John Baker and Benjamin Reckelton, Request that matter referred to next monthly meeting which is accordingly

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended, and have produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read in this meeting to good satisfaction

John Shepherd having requested (by way of the Preparative meeting) a removal Certificate to Sandwich monthly meeting, for his son Barnabas Shepherd, therefore our friends William Barker and Thomas Russell are appointed to Enquire into the young mans conduct, and Cleaveland in respect to marriage: and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to next monthly meeting

One of the Overseers Inform (with another Friend) that Jonas Norcum hath fallen into the sin of Fornication, as charged upon him by Elizabeth Aben: Therefore, our friends William Anthony Junr Samuel Smith and Stephen Buffinton are appointed to Treat with said Jonas Norcum on that matter and make report to next Monthly meeting

Proposals for altering or dividing the Quarterly meeting was Read and signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in order for a concurrence of the other Monthly meetings therein

A Removal Certificate for David Barker and Three sons namely Edward David and James, directed to the Nine Partners monthly meeting, was produced in this meeting by the Clerk: and as there are some of his outward affairs not fully settled, the Committee is ordered to keep the same, and not deliver it, until his said affairs are settled to satisfaction

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 2 month 1781  
The Representatives are Abiel Gifford and Barnabus Mosher - Present

The Friends appointed to consider and confer with Joshua Potter and his young Children, on their request to come under friends care: Report that they had an opportunity of settled conference with them, to satisfaction Therefore, the said Joshua Potts and children, namely Esther, Zilphah Gardner, Phoebe, Patience and Asaph are received under our care

The Women Friends Inform they have received Mary Potter and Rhoda Potter under their Care which this meeting concurs with

Nathaniel Sisson and Grace Gifford appeared for their answer in regard to proceeding in marriage: Which was, that they might proceed to take each other in marriage, in some convenient time before next monthly meeting: Advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint



2 month 1781 To see said Marriage orderly accomplished who are William Mosher and Abiel Gifford and they to make report next monthly meeting

Nathaniel Gifford and his Wife Paper being produced, and Read in this meeting - Therefore our Friends Abiel Gifford and William Anthony are appointed to Joine the Women Friends to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with them the said Nathaniel and wife in order to discover their Sincerity and Sorrow and make report next monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate for Barnabus Shepherd directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich setting forth his right of membership and cleanness of marriage Entanglements - Were signed in this meeting

The matter respecting Jonas Locum is referred to next monthly meeting and the care of those friends who were appointed to treat with him they having made some progress and desire it referred which is accordingly referred and they then to make report

A Certificate was signed in this meeting directed the monthly meeting of Rhode Island in behalf of Hannah Bennet Wife of Robert Bennet setting forth her right of membership and recommending her to the care of that meeting

The Committee having the care of that matter Respecting William Fenner John Danner and Benjamin Richardson desires it referred which is referred under their care, and they to make report next monthly meeting

The Committee which had the care of David Barkers Removal Certificate Report that his affairs were settled to satisfaction and the said Certificate delivered to him -

The Women Friends Inform that they have denayed Deborah Wood wife of Stephen Wood which this meeting concurs with

These Sison having Requested for her Children to be taken under the care of this meeting, Therefore our Friends William Mosher and John Huddlestone are appointed to Joine the Women friends in their care and Enquiry in that matter and make report next monthly meeting

This Meeting Received a Letter from the monthly meeting of Saratoga Dated 11 of 1 month 1781 Informing that Deborah Willbor hath married out of the Order of friends

William Gifford desires a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of December setting forth his Right of membership and cleanness respecting marriage Therefore this meeting doth appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Swt and William Wood to inquire into the young mans Cleanness and if they find things Clear to draw a Certificate and bring with them to next monthly meeting

Jonathan Russell, Caleb Barker, Joseph Howland and George Smith having given in papers Condemning their misconduct in going to an Entertainment some time past and taking undue Liberty thereat, Therefore our Friends Thomas Hicks, Joseph Gifford, William Anthony Swt, Stephen Buffinton, Jonathan Willbor and Seth Huddlestone are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with these young men to discover their Sincerity and make report to next monthly meeting

This Meeting is informed by the way of Preparative meetings that Nicholas Taber is in the practice of frequenting and Sojourn with meetings held out of the Unity of our Society, and after being Laboured with Declines to Condemn it to friends Satisfaction: Therefore our friends Joseph Swt and Joseph Gifford are appointed to treat with said Nicholas and if he doth not give them Satisfaction, to draw a paper of denial and bring to next monthly meeting

Henry Smith gave in a bill to this meeting for Hay and Carting to the amount of 3 - 12 - 6 Which the Treasurer is ordered to pay Collected in silver money - 5 - 6 - 11 Collected in paper money - 8 - 16 - 0

A Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1781 The Representatives are Benjamin Smith and Chison Wood - Present

The Friends appointed to see the Marriage of Nathaniel Sison and Grace Gifford accomplished, report that they attended said marriage and did not see sat that it was orderly Consumated

This Meeting is informed by the Women friends that they have Ruth soul wife of Joseph soul with her Daughters whose names are Susanna Mary and Thankful which this meeting concurs with

Our Esteemed Friends David Brooks and Seth Coffin attended this meeting Producing Certificates, Dated 2<sup>d</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1780 at Deep River Gifford County North Carolina; which was Read in this meeting with Satisfaction, and their Visit, and Labour of Love, acceptable, comfortable and Edifying

Our Esteemed Friend John Forman also attended this meeting and produce a Certificate, Dated at the Monthly meeting at Gwynedd in the County of Philadelphia in Pennsylvania the 30<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781 which was read in this meeting; and his Visit, and Labour of Love, acceptable Comfortable and Edifying to us

Our Friend Thomas Scattergood Likewise attended this meeting in Company with our above said friends and his visit and Labour in love were acceptable and Edifying to us

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends in confering with Nathaniel Gifford and Wife report that they had an opportunity with them and that they gave them a degree of satisfactions but request the matter may be continued another month which accordingly referred under the same friends as before, together with Jonathan Willbor who is added to them and they to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to treat with Jonas Locum desires it continued another month, which is accordingly and they to make report to next monthly meeting

A Certificate was signed in this meeting for William Gifford directed to the Monthly meeting of Accoxet setting forth his right of membership and cleanness respecting marriage

The Friends appointed to Treat With Nicholas Taber that they had an Opportunity of Solid conference with him but that he did not, disposed to give them any Satisfaction they therefore according to appointment produced a Testimony against him which was signed, this meeting by the Clerk who is desired to read the same, at a close of a fast day meeting of Worship some time between this and next monthly meeting and make report to next Monthly meeting

And Benjamin Hathway is appointed to Inform said Nicholas thereof giving him a Copy of the Testimony if he desires it, and make report to next Monthly meeting

James Tonson desires a Certificate to Nantucket setting forth his Right of membership, therefore our friends Samuel Smith and Howland are appointed to draw one and bring with them to the adjournment of this meeting

Seth Hart and Abigail Anthony declared their Intentions of Taking Each other in Marriage, and they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer and our friends William Mosher, and Benjamin Rider are appointed to inquire into the young mans Cleanness Respecting marriage and make report to next monthly meeting



3 month  
1781 A Certificate in behalf of Freeborn Rider directed to Friends within the verge of Sandwich Quarterly meeting was signed in this Certificate Meeting by the Clerk setting forth her Right of membership and so on for Freeborn the Member  
Rider A Certificate was signed in this Meeting by the Clerk in behalf of Grace Certificate Tison setting forth Right of Membership; directed to the monthly meeting Grace Tison at the Nine Partners  
The Women friends Inform that they have Received a removal Certificate from Swanzy directed to this meeting, for Hannah Bowdish Wife of William Bowdish Junor  
Also one from Sandwich monthly meeting to this meeting, for Abigail Devoel wife of Abner Devoel, setting forth their Right of membership  
A Few lines by way of Endorsment were signed by the Clerk on the Certificates of our Esteemed Friends David Booth and John Ferrman Expressing their attending this meeting, and that their visit and Labour in Gospel Love with us was Edifying and Satisfactory  
also that of Seth Coffins acceptable visit in Company with the other Friends  
A Few Lines by way of Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of Philadelphia Northern district was signed in this meeting by the Clerk expressing Thomas Scattergoods attending this meeting, and his acceptable visit and Labour in Gospel Love  
This meeting is adjourned to the 28<sup>th</sup> instant, after the meeting of Worship  
Collected in silver money £-15-2  
This Meeting Mett by adjournment the 28<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called both Present  
The Friends appointed to attend Confer with Jonathan Russell, Caleb Doolittle, Joseph Howland 2<sup>d</sup>, and George Smith 2<sup>d</sup>, and others report, that some of the Committee had an Opportunity of conference with the young men and the Committee Desires the matter may be referred to another month, which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report to next monthly meeting  
A Certificate in behalf of James Tanson setting forth his right of Membership directed to the Monthly meeting of Wampanoag signed in this meeting by the Clerk  
Joseph Wing having requested to come under the care of Friends of this meeting Therefore this Meeting appoints our Friends William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and Elijah Gifford to take an Opportunity of a soled conference with said Joseph in order to discover the motive of his request, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting  
Prince Potter having requested for himself and children to come under the care of Friends of this meeting therefore appoints our friends William Mather, Jonathan Hart, and Benjamin Chase to Joyn with the Women Friends, and take an opportunity of soled conference, with said Prince and family, in order to discover the motive of the request, and they also to make report thereof to next monthly meeting  
Testimonies concerning our Beloved friends who are deceased viz Adam Mott, Paul Russell and Susanna Gifford, all of whom were Publick Friends, were read in this meeting and signed by the Clerk Copies of which were ordered to be maid out and sent to the Quarterly meeting  
Two of the Friends appointed to confer with Swanzy monthly meeting, respecting Edward Thurston Jun<sup>r</sup> his Wife and Children the report have made the following Report  
Whereas Edward Thurston, and his wife Parnal having Right of membership among friends at Dartmouth, some years past, and lived within the bounds of Swanzy monthly meeting a number

Certificate received for Abigail Devoel  
Certificate for David Booth and John Ferrman  
Certificate for Seth Coffins  
Certificate for Thomas Scattergoods  
Certificate for James Tanson  
Joseph Wing  
Prince Potter  
Testimonies of deceased Friends  
The following Friends

Of year and not requesting a Certificate from Dartmouth and of late said Monthly meeting taking the matter under Consideration; and by a Committee have been made into their Lives and Conversations, and it not only appears that they neglect the attendance of Meetings, but fall so much short of living up to the Principles of Truth in bringing up their Children and many other respects; that we think it most for the Honour of Truth to disown him, the said Edward Thurston his wife Parnal, and their Children from having any right of membership among us  
the 5<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> month 1781  
William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Eber Chase  
Robert Slade Thomas Hicks  
Azariah Shove Benjamin Buffinton  
Said report is so far Accepted as to appoint our Friends Thomas Hicks and Thomas Russell to Treat with them for the afore said disorder; and to make report to next Monthly Meeting  
Our Friends Thomas Hicks, Caleb Greene, William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Smith are appointed to Revise and correct this Meetings minutes in order that they may be Recorded - as so well as to record those things of the minutes to be Recorded from the yearly meeting in Book of Discipline, as also to settle Accounts with the Treasurer, and make report next monthly meeting  
The Treasurer reports he hath paid the following Bills as ordered (viz)  
To Henry Smith for Hay - - - - - 3-12-0  
To Philip Macomber for Hay - - - - - 2-6-6  
To Gideon Howland for keeping Alice Smith - - - - - 8-8-0  
Gideon Howland gave in a Bill to this meeting for keeping Alice Smith 30 weeks and three days amounting to the sum of - 9-14-6  
Also Henry Howland gave in a bill for keeping the same woman 16 weeks at 9<sup>th</sup> per week amounting to the sum of Twenty five Dollars  
Both which Bills the Treasurer is ordered to pay when he is supplied with money for the same  
The Queries have been Read and answer thereto prepared, Read and approved with an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting, all of which were signed and sent by our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting who are our friends William Mather, Thomas Hicks, Samuel Smith and Thomas Russell  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives are Stephen Buffinton and Philip Macomber - Present  
The Friends appointed to Joyn the Women friends in a Conference with Nathaniel Gifford and Wife report, that as they have not had an Opportunity of such a conference since Last monthly meeting, therefore desires that matter referred, which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report next monthly meeting  
The friends appointed to Treat with Jonas Hacom desires it referred another month, which is accordingly referred under the care of the same Friends, who are to report next monthly meeting  
Benjamin Hathway reports that he hath informed Nicholas Tabor of his denial  
The Clerk reports, that he hath not read the Testimony of said Nicholas denial as ordered, he is desired therefore to read the same at the close of a first days meeting for Worship, between this and next monthly meeting, and then make report thereof

case of Edward Thurston  
case of Philip Macomber  
case of Gideon Howland  
case of Henry Howland  
case of Nathaniel Gifford and Wife  
case of Jonas Hacom  
Benjamin Hathway  
Nicholas Tabor



4 month 1785

Report of Seth Hart's marriage

Received from the Friends of the Monthly Meeting

Receipt of the Friends

William Howland's paper accepted

The case of P. Potter referred

The case of E. Thurston referred

Revising minutes

Report from Quarterly Meeting

Report from on account of Bibles

Number of Bibles subscribed

The paper of Benjamin Ricketson

The Friends appointed to Inquire into Seth Hart's cleanness of living marriage report that they find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

Seth Hart and Abigail Anthony appearing for their answer which was that they proceed to take Each other in Marriage in convenient time between this and next monthly meeting advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage accomplished who are William Mosher and Benjamin Rider; and they to report to the next Monthly meeting

A few lines by way of Endorsement on the Certificate of our esteemed Friend Freeborn Rider, (Expressing for attending the several Meetings of the Quarterly and monthly meetings of Sandwich to Satisfaction) was read in this Meeting

A Testimony against Maria Smith Wife of John Smith, was signed in this meeting, in concurrence with the Women friends therein, And the Clerk is directed to read the same at the Close of a first days meeting of worship between this and next monthly meeting, and make report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to take an opportunity of Solid conference with Joseph Wing, reported that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, but that they desire the matter referred another month, which is accordingly referred to next Monthly meeting, under the same Friends care, and they then to make report

This meeting accepts of William Howland's Paper (which he gave in some time past, Condemning his misconduct in Joining with a young company in mirth and merriment at an Entertainment of roasting and eating Quahawks) for Satisfaction

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends in a Solid conference with Prince Potter and family report, that they have not had an opportunity with him; and desire the matter referred, which is accordingly referred to next Monthly meeting under their care, and they then to make report

The Committee appointed to confer with Edward Thurston and family desires the matter referred, which is accordingly referred under their care to next monthly meeting and they then to make report

The Friends appointed to Revise the Minutes and settle with the Treasurer desires it Referred another month which is accordingly referred under their care and they to make report next monthly meeting

The Representatives to the last Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended, and produced an Epistle from said meeting, which was Read in this meeting to Satisfaction

The Committee appointed to take in Subscriptions for Bibles approve the Recommendation of the Meeting for Sufferings, now report that the several members of this meeting with some of their Friendly neighbours have subscribed for 7 folio, 45 large Quarto; 39 large Octavo and

29 Small octavo Bibles, which are to be sent for on account and the Risk of the Subscribers who are to pay whatever the Cost and charge of the Bibles may be; amounting to the number of 125 in the whole report accepted up to the meeting for Sufferings, and a Copy thereof is ordered to be sent

The Paper of Benjamin Ricketson, Caleb Barker, William Darter, John Barker, Joseph Howland, Jonathan Russell, and George Smith, given in some time past, Condemning their misconduct in going to an Entertainment, where undue Liberty was taken; which paper is accepted accepted for Satisfaction; Provided the above said young men

Cause it to be read Publicly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting, they being present, and to make return and report thereof next monthly meeting

Henry Howland Request a Removal Certificate for himself a Children to the Monthly meeting at Acchochet, therefore our friends Benjamin Howland's and William Anthony Six are appointed to take the necessary care therein and bring one to next monthly meeting if they think proper  
Collected in Silver -- 2 1 - 5

At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of 5 month 1785 The Representatives are William Barker and William Wood - Present

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women Friends in a Conference with Nathaniel Gifford and Wife, report, that they have not had opportunity as desired, therefore desires it referred which is accordingly referred, under the same friends care; and they to make report next Monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to Treat with Jonas Mowum desires that matter referred another month, which is accordingly referred under the Care of the same friends who are to report to the next monthly meeting

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Nicholas Taber; as also that against Maria Smith wife of John Smith as ordered Last Monthly meeting. That against Nicholas Taber is as followeth

Whereas Nicholas Taber hath had his Education among us the People called Quakers, but hath so far departed from our Religious Principles as frequent meetings of Worship which are held out of the Unity of our Society, and he being Laboured with to desist therefrom, and it not having the desired Effect; We are therefore constrained to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said Nicholas Taber, Disowning him from being a member of our Society, and from under our care; but with fervent desires that he may be favoured with a Sight and sense of the Error of his out going and Experience the incom of Divine reproof

Given forth at our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1781 Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by William Anthony's Clerk

The Friends appointed to see the Marriage of Seth Hart and Abigail Anthony accomplished, report, that they both attend and did not see but that it was orderly Consummated

The friends appointed to confer with Joseph Wing, reports that they had not the desired opportunity with him, therefore desire it referred another month, which is accordingly referred under the same friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends in a Solid conference with Prince Potter and Family report, that they had an opportunity of conference wherein they had a good degree of Satisfaction. Therefore their meeting (on their request, and in concurrence with the Women friends meeting) accepts of the said Prince Potter his Wife Hannah and all their Children now born, to be under our care

The Friends appointed to Treat with Edward Thurston and family wherein they were joined by the women friends report that they had an opportunity of conference with said Edward and family, and that they therein had no Satisfaction; Therefore this meeting doth disown said Edward his wife Sarah, and their Children, from having any right of membership among us, and from under our care  
And



5 month 1781 And the Clerk is Desired to Transmitt a Copy of this Minute to said Family, and make report next monthly meeting

The Clerk Reports that Benjamin Ricketson, Caleb Barker, William Barker, John Barker, Joseph Howland, Jonathan Russell and George Smith have called their Paper to be read as directed last monthly meeting, and returned said paper which is as Followeth

To the Monthly meeting of Friends to be held the 19<sup>th</sup> of the 4<sup>th</sup> month 1781 Whereas We some time past Joined a considerable large company in an Entertainment with roasting and eating Quawhooks, whereat were also provided victuals and spiritous Liquor, and after partaking of the same, with Mirth and merriment we (with said company) repaired to a house where was music and dancing, and so far joined with them, as to remain at the house till the Company dispersed: For which misconduct we are sorry, and do condemn, desiring Friends may so far pass it By as to let us remain under their care ~ From your real Friends

Joseph Howland Benjamin Ricketson  
Jonathan Russell Caleb Barker  
George Smith William Barker Jr  
John Barker

Certificate for Henry Howland referred  
The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a Certificate for Henry Howland and Children to the Monthly meeting of Accord set report that they have not accomplished one by reason of an objection therefore it is referred another month under the same friends care they to make Report next Monthly meeting

W Russell gave in a paper to a Gameing Instrument - yet in order to discover his Sincerity in condemning it, This meeting doth appoint our Friends Seth Russell, Stephen Buffinton and John Williams, to take an opportunity of solid conference with him the said William and make report next monthly meeting

H Howland paper accused  
Humphry Howland gave in a paper some considerable time past condemning his misconduct in horse-racing and other things - Which is now accepted with satisfaction, provided he causes it to be read publicly at the close of a day meeting of Worship, he being present at the reading thereof, returning and making report of the same to next monthly meeting

W Howland desires a con-  
Meeting, that he intends to go to Nantucket in order to go to sea from there if he should find a passage agreeable to his mind: he desiring a copy of a Minute hereon he having a right of membership among us  
This meeting desires he may be under the care of Nantucket monthly meeting while there, and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy thereof

Correcting the minutes with Treasurer referred  
The Friends appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and read the Monthly meeting Minutes request it referd another month with is accordingly under their care and they to report next monthly meeting

Report of Wood sold  
The Committee appointed to have the care of Selling Wood report that they have sold Seven Cord at two dollars per Cord, which is Fourteen Dollars and paid the same to the Treasurer

Collected in Silver money £ 1 - 6 - 0

Adjournment  
This Meeting is Adjourned to the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 5<sup>th</sup> month 1781

Complaint against Clerkman  
The Representatives are William Barker and William Wood - Present  
This meeting is informed by the way of the preparative meeting that Caleb Sherman hath married out of the body of Friends, & Friends having treated with him thereon, but it is referd to next monthly meeting for Consideration

Joseph Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup> desires (by the way of Preparative meeting) a Removal Certificate, for himself and Children, to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich as he hath removed within the verge of that meeting to Live, therefore this Meeting doth appoint William Barker and Stephen Buffinton to take the necessary care therein, and if they find things clear to bring one to next Monthly meeting

Stephen Smith son of Benjamin Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> desiring a copy of a Minute of this Meeting setting forth his Right of membership here directed to the Monthly meeting of Falmouth in Salem Quaster as he has gone to do some business there, and the Clerk is directed to give copy hereof: He having a right of membership among us  
And this meeting desiring he may be under friends care while there

This meeting is Informed by way of the preparative meeting that David Hoar hath removed out of the verge of this Meeting and not send our Certificate, which not being according to good order among us therefore David Hoar and Abiel Gifford are appointed to treat with him thereon and make report when ready

Jonathan Greene desiring a removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Greenwich, setting forth his right of membership and clearing respecting marriage he having gone there to reside therefore our friends Benjamin Tabor and William Wood are appointed to take the necessary care therein, and if they find things clear to bring one to next monthly Meeting

Barnabus Shepherd's Certificate being returned from the Monthly Meeting of Sandwich with Endorsment, informing that said Certificate did not mention his outward affairs being settled: Enquiry being made therein and finding things clear therein, an Endorsment was made thereof on said Certificate and forwarded

The Women Friends Inform that they have received Mchitable Maxfield Wife of John Maxfield, under their care: which this meeting concurs with.

The Overseers Inform that Benjamin Allen (son of Philip Allen deceased) desires the advice of Friends, respecting some of his outward affairs therefore our Friends Henry Smith, Stephen Buffinton, Caleb Rydell, and Ebenezer Allee, are appointed to visit said Benjamin and advise and assist on those affairs, as Truth may Direct and make report next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Duxbury the 18<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives of Caleb Russell, Joseph Barker, Elijah Smith and Henry Smith of Boston

Our Edward Drinker, James Fenner and Aaron Drinker Smith of this Province both of the Province of Pennsylvania and Friends of New Haven attended this meeting. Brethren's Certificates are often of New Haven a good deal this meeting, Brethren's Certificates from the meeting they belong to, and their Visit, and Letters to Gospel Love accepted by All

Our Brethren Friends Stephen Hoffman of Dux, Ezekiel Kent County in Duxbury, David Burser of Sandwich in New York, and George Chapman of Nottingham, Conn, with producing Certificates from the Monthly meetings they belong to, and two Visits, well received

The Friends appointed to treat with Nathaniel Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup> who was directed to be referred to next monthly meeting, and it is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting under their care they then to make Report

The paper of Ben Ricketson & Co. read

The paper of W. Howland read

Certificate for Henry Howland referred

W Russell gave in a paper to a Gameing Instrument

H Howland paper accused

W Howland desires a con-Meeting

Correcting the minutes with Treasurer referred

Report of Wood sold

Adjournment

Complaint against Clerkman

Joseph Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup> desires

Stephen Smith son of Benjamin Smith Jun<sup>r</sup>

David Hoar hath removed

Jonathan Greene desiring

Barnabus Shepherd's Certificate

The Women Friends Inform

At a Monthly Meeting held

Our Edward Drinker, James Fenner

Our Brethren Friends Stephen Hoffman

The Friends appointed to treat with Nathaniel Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup>



6 month  
1781  
T. Locum  
case  
The Friends appointed to Treat with and inspect into the conduct of Inas Locum report that they desire that matter continued another month under their care they then to make Report

Joseph Wing  
case  
The friends appointed to confer with Joseph Wing report that they had an opportunity of conference with him, and that he gave them some degree of satisfaction, yet desired matter continued another month and is accordingly under the same friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting

E. Jamison  
inform  
The Clerk informs he hath transmitted a copy of the minutes of last monthly meeting, to Edward Thurston and family respecting their denial, as entered

objection  
against  
Removal  
Certificat  
The friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting removal of Henry Howland and children report that the same Objections remains as was last monthly meeting therefore the matter is continued under the same friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting when ready

W. Russell  
case refer  
The friends appointed to have a solid conference and inspection into the conduct of William Russell in order to discover his sincerity in condemning his misconduct in making a Gaming Instrument Report They have had some conference with him but desire the matter referred another month with an addition of friends therein, who are William Mesher and William Anthony Jun and they together to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting

Certificat  
to be  
appoint  
for  
purpose  
friend  
Our Friends William Anthony Jun and Samuel Smith are appointed to draw Certificates for our Friends James Thornton, Samuel Smith, Thomas Carrington Warner Mufflin and George Churchman who attended this meeting - bringing with them said Certificates to the adjournment of this meeting

adjourn  
This Meeting is adjourned to the 27<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting of worship of that day

mett  
The 27<sup>th</sup> mett by adjournment The Representatives all present Except Caleb Russell who is gone to the yearly meeting at Nanucket Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time

H. Howland  
not read  
Humphrey Howland's paper not being Read as directed last monthly meeting, he not being informed thereof, he is now informed and desired to cause the same to be read ~~advised~~ Returned as mentioned last monthly meeting

To settle  
with  
the  
The Friends appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the monthly meeting minutes report that they have revised the minutes but have not accomplished the rest, therefore the settling the same is deferred under their care till next monthly meeting and then to make report

C. Shearman  
disorder  
Our Friends William Barker and Joseph Tusher Jun are appointed to make Enquiry and Treat with Caleb Shearman on his marrying out of the Unity of Friends, and make report therey next monthly meeting

J. Green  
Certificat  
A Removal Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk for Jonathan Greene directed to the monthly meeting at Greenwich settling for his Right of membership Charges, respecting marriage and outward affairs being settled, he having gone to said place to reside

R. Allen  
case  
Part of the Committee appointed to Visit Benjamin Allen (son of Philip deceased) and advise and assist him in some of his outward affairs report, that they Visited him and gave him such advice as they thought necessary but the matter not being fully accomplished

with  
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His Brother Jedediah being concerned in the matter with him, therefore the same friends are continued in that service who are to advise said Benjamin and Jedediah and others of that family concerned therein as they may find necessary and make report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed some considerable time past to treat with Job Gifford report that they have conferred with him several times and he hath desisted from his misconduct, and gave said Friends a good degree of satisfaction, therefore said report is accepted as satisfactory

Silvia Smith Requesting for her young son Benjamin Howland Smith to be received under Friends care, therefore our friends Thomas Hicks and Philip Macomber are appointed to take necessary care in the matter and make report next monthly meeting

Certificates were signed in this Meeting by the Clerk for our Esteemed Friend James Thornton and Samuel Smith directed to the several monthly meetings, they belong to; setting forth their acceptable Visit and Service in the Ministry, and solid and worthy conversation. Certificates were also signed as above said for our Friends Warner Mufflin, Thomas Carrington and George Churchman directed to the several monthly meetings, they belong to setting forth their acceptable Visit and Service in the love of the Truth

The Queries have been Read and answer answers thereto prepared, and after some amendment, approved and sent by our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, with the Epistle, which was Read, approved, and signed by the Clerk

For our Friends William Barker, Caleb Greene, Abner Devoal, Seth Huddleston, and Benjamin Gifford Jun are appointed to attend our next Quarterly meeting, and make report to our next monthly meeting

month  
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At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 30<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives are John Williams and Joseph Tusher Jun Present

Representatives  
report  
The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, report, that they all attended that meeting, and have produced an Epistle from the same which was read in this meeting to satisfaction: And the weighty advice therein respecting Friends settling their outward Estates, and making their Will whilst in health, is Recommended to the solid attention of Each member of this meeting

A Transcript of the Epistle of the yearly meeting from London last year was also produced by the sd Representatives and read in this meeting to satisfaction

Gifford  
case  
The Friends appointed to Confer with Nathaniel Gifford and Wife report, that they had an opportunity with them and that they gave them some degree of satisfaction; yet as they are slack in attending Religious meetings, and for a further discovery of the Sincerity of said Nathaniel and Wife, in the Condemning their misconduct, the matter is continued under the care and inspection of the same friends who are to report when ready

Locum  
case  
The Friends appointed to Treat with Inas Locum and inspect into his conduct report they do not find his fruits Sufficiently ~~to~~ into his conduct report they do not find his fruits Sufficiently to demonstrate a state of sincere Repentance: yet not being out of hopes he may yet return, therefore said matter referred under the same friends care and they to make report next monthly meeting

Wings  
case  
The Friends appointed to confer with Joseph Wing report that they had an opportunity of solid conference with him and that he gave them some degree of satisfaction; yet this meeting concludes to continue that matter one month longer, and it is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting under the same friends care and they then to make Report



7 month 1781 The Friends appointed to have a solid conference with and inspection the conduct of William Russell in order to discover his Sincerity in concerning his misconduct in making a Gaming Instrument, report that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave them so much Satisfaction that this meeting concludes to accept of his paper for Satisfaction, provided he cause said paper to be read, at the close of one of our publick meetings for Worship on a first day between this and next monthly meeting and make a return and report of the same

4. H. Stand The Clerk informs by desire of Humphrey Howland that his paper hath not been read as directed at last monthly meeting therefore the Clerk is directed to direct him to cause it to be read at directed last monthly meeting

5. Children This meeting in concurrence with the Women meeting do conclude to receive Pebe Spens Children whose names are Stephen, Ruth and Judith, under our care

settled with The Committee appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer report that they have accomplished the same, and find in Book four Shillings and Eight pence Lawful hard money 9-4-8 not paid out which Benjamin Tabor is ordered to pay to Jonathan Willbor; And the Meeting: took this in debt for Order 9-11-4 not yet paid Therefore the meeting in debt 9-6-5 Lawful hard money

A. Richeson The Committee appointed in 2 month 1780 to treat and confer with Abraham Richeson on his request to be reformed among Friends and he not appearing to continue his request, this meeting concludes to discharge that matter and said Committee from that service

Part of the Committee appointed in 2 month 1780 to collect this the books meetings Books report that they have made some progress therein and they are therefore continued in that service and to make report next monthly meeting

9. Potter The Committee appointed in 2 month 1780 to take the necessary care in the matter respecting John Potter going away in a disorderly manner Report that they have made some progress therein and they are yet continued in that service and to make report when ready

10. Hart's Case The Friends appointed to treat with David Hart on his removing out of the Verge of this meeting without requesting a Certificate Report that they have treated with him and that he did not give any Satisfaction; said Committee also inform that said David is in the practice of attending meetings held out of the Unity of our Society and that they had treated with him on that account, and that he justified himself, therefore, Seth Russell and John Williams are appointed to take an opportunity of Solid Conference with him thereon and if he doth not give them Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of denial against him and inform him thereof and bring a Testimony with them to next monthly meeting

B. Tabor Benjamin Tabor having served this meeting as Treasurer for some time to Satisfaction, and requesting to be dismissed therefrom, he is therefore dismissed and Jonathan Willbor is appointed to that service for the year ensuing

Collected 2-17-4  
This meeting Received a Copy of a minute from South Kingstown in behalf of Andrew Nichols 3<sup>rd</sup> son of Andrew Nichols Int. informing of his Right of membership and of his removing from that meeting to Bedford to Live with a friend

advised met This Meeting is adjourned to the 25<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship of that day  
Met by Jounment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 7 month 1781  
The Representatives being called Joseph Tucker said present John Williams, not present for which no Excuse was rendered

11. On his The Friends appointed to make Enquiry and Treat with Caleb Shaw on his marrying out of the Unity of Friends Report that they had an opportunity with him and that he gave the no Satisfaction

They also Inform that Jed Cole is guilty of fornication as appears by his wife having a Child, son after marriage therefore the same friends are continued, to Join the Women friends in treating with said Cole and Wife, if they do not find sufficient Satisfaction to draw a Testimony of denial and bring to next monthly meeting

Caleb Russell in behalf of the Committee appointed to Visit Benjamin Allen (son of Phillip deceased) and the rest of the family, report that they appointed a time and place to meet them, but they not meeting there as appointed the Committee desires the matter defend another month which is accordingly referred under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting the request of Silvia Smith for her young son Benjamin Howland Smith to be taken under Friends care, report that they have taken the necessary care therein by taking an opportunity of Solid conference with said Mother, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, Respecting the Religious Education of her Child therefore this meeting in a solid consideration thereon concludes to receive said Benjamin Howland Smith, under our care

Silvia Smith Requests a Copy of a minute of this meeting, to the monthly meeting of Nantucket, signifying the right of membership of her son Benjamin Howland Smith, he being this day received into membership with us, he being gone to Nantucket to School; therefore the Clerk is desired to forward to said monthly meeting a Copy of this minnute

James Tabor hath returned a Certificate which he received from this meeting of the 17<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1781 Last directed to the monthly meeting of Nantucket, he not making any stay there

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 26<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1781  
The Representatives Abiel Gifford and Jonathan Hart - Present

There being a Committee appointed by the Quarterly meeting to Confer with this meeting an account of Dartmouth monthly meeting, being referred to Sandwich Quarter; therefore we appoint our Friends, William Althoff, Thomas Hicks, Samuel Smith, Abiel Gifford, William Mother, Seth Russell and Henry Smith, to Confer with said Committee, with all other friends, that hath a desire to meet on that Conference and they to report next monthly meeting

This Meeting Adjourns the 29<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship Mett by Adjourn, the 29<sup>th</sup> of the 8 month 1781

The Friends continued in the Case of Jonas Stearn report that they had another conference with him and not being fully Satisfied it is referred to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to report

Likewise the Friends appointed in the case of Joseph Wings report still gives a degree of Satisfaction therefore it is referred to next monthly meeting and the same friends to take the care thereof and then to report according to direction and

William Russell, Paper having been Read according to direction and is returned to this meeting - and is as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of friends to be held in Dartmouth 21<sup>st</sup> of 5 Mo 1781  
Dear friends, Whereas some time past through unwatchfulness did so far depart from the principle of Truth and friend, as to make a Gaming Instrument or Table for the purpose of playing a sort of Game called Backgammon since doing which I have been favoured to see my great error there in with its consequences for which Error I am singularly sorry for and do continue desiring Friends may pass it by so far as to let me remain under their care and that I may be so far favoured to direct to near the divine principle for the futur as not to fall into any such iniquity for the future  
William Russell



8 month 1781 The Friends appointed to Collect this meetings Books report they are continued therein and desired to make report to this meeting when they have fulfilled the same

David Hart disowned The Friends appointed to confer with David Hart Report they have their appointment and that he did not give them any satisfaction in this meeting desiring him from being a member of this meeting and Given forth a Testimony of denial against him and the Clerk is to Read the same publickly or procure it Read in the usual manner make return next monthly meeting. And Seth Russell is desired inform said David Hart thereof and that he hath a right of an appeal and he to report next monthly meeting

John Williams excuse recd John Williams hath Rendered a satisfactory reason for his not attending the adjournment of our Last monthly meeting when being a Representative of the Preparative meeting

C Shearman Case referd The friends appointed in the case of Caleb Shearman make report they have not accomplished their appointment who they made some progress they are therefore Continued in that Service as before and to make next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to advise and assist Benjamin Allen and his Seditious Report that they have had a conference with the said parties yet the Committee request said matter continued. It is therefore Continued next monthly meeting under the care of said Committee who are then to Report

H Howland paper read agreeable to the direction of the Monthly meeting: and is as followeth To the Monthly meeting of friends in Dartmouth

Whereas I have inconsiderately resorted to places of horse racing, and to my mares running racing several times: I also, with others went partook of the Entertainment of Quaghaugs at the Hoag after which I to a house and took undue Liberty, even to music and dancing and misconduct of mine, I am sorry for, and do hereby condemn the same together with the wearing such apparel as is not approved among us and I desire friends so far to pass it by my unwarrantable behavior in these and all other respects as to suffer me still to remain under their Care

Dated in Dartmouth the 14 of 2 month 1781 From your friend Humphrey Howland

J Beards denial The Women Friends Inform they have Denied Phebe Beard Daughter of John Beard which this meeting concurs with

Trustees for meeting, house read It hath been proposed to make a addition, Choice of Trustees to the Title of the meeting house land at New Town: therefore Isaac Tucker Junor Jonathan Hart, Barnabus Mofher Ju and William are appointed for that Service unto whom a Deed or Deeds are to be made: and to hold said Land for the use of Friends till otherwise appointed in their Stead for that Service

G Howland bill Gideon Howland hath given a bill for carting and tending Alice Smith during her sickness the last 10 months he keep her, over above the usual allowance allowed by the Overseers of the poor 8 dollars

Phillip Macomber also gave in an account as allowed by said Overseers, for a pair of Shoes 5-9-0 which account, the Treasurer is ordered to pay when supplied with money by this meeting

The friends to sell our usual report they have sold 2 1/2 cords for five dollars which money Delivered to the Treasurer

8 month 1781 This Meeting Collected L 1 s 4 This meeting adjourn to the 5<sup>th</sup> day of next month after meeting of Worship on said day adjournment Mett by adjournment the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives being called both present

Allen Russell and Abigail Allen Declared their Intentions of taking Each other in Marriage (after having Consent of parents) and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer And William Noyes and Wood William Wood are appointed to make the necessary inspection into the said allens Russells cleanness respecting marriage and conversation and make return to next monthly meeting

The Testimony concerning Paul Russell that this meeting gave forth some time past, was returned to this meeting, with some amendment by the direction of the Quarterly meeting, which was Read approved and Signed by the Clerk

9 month 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17 day of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives are Stephen Buffinton and William Gifford both present

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee from the Quarterly meeting on account of this meeting being signed to Sandwich Quarter Report that they have fulfilled their appointment, and think it not best for us to be annexed Thereto at present which report this meeting accept

A Report from this meeting was Signed by the Clerk directed to the Quarterly Committee on the Subject of this meeting, being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, Signifying, that we think it not best under present Circumstances to be so annexed

The Friends continued in the case of Jonas Locum desires it continued another month, it is accordingly continued under their: and if on their having another opportunity of solid conference with him, they do not find Satisfaction, that they draw a Testimony of his denial, inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Joseph Wing report that he still gave them a degree of Satisfaction, and that they think it may now be safe for the meeting to receive him under our Care, Wherefore this meeting received the said Joseph Wing into membership with us and under our Care

The Clerk informs he hath Read the Testimony of David Harts denial as directed last monthly meeting. Which is as followeth

Whereas David Hart having had his Education among us the People Called Quakers, but hath lately removed out of the Verge of this meeting in disorderly manner; and frequent meetings held out of the unity of our Society, and Friends having laboured with him in much love but it not having the desired Effect Therefore for the clearing of truth we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said David Hart, hereby disowning him from being any longer a member of our Societ. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may come to a sense of his evil going and return to the way of truth - Given forth and Signed in our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 26<sup>th</sup> day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1781 By William Anthony Secy Clerk

Seth Russell informs he did not inform said Hart of his Denial and Right of appeal which he is yet desired to, and make report thereof to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Caleb Shearman report that they had an opportunity of solid conference with him and that he did not give them any Satisfaction: therefore they produced a Testimony of his denial which was Read in this meeting and Signed by the Clerk who is directed to Read the same



9 month 1781 at the close of a fast day meeting of Worship between this and next monthly meeting. And Joseph Tucker Junr is desired to inform said Shearman of his denial and Right of appeal and report to next monthly meeting

A Russell's Clearness The Friends appointed to inspect into Allen Russells Clearness respecting marriage and Conversation, report that they do not find any thing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

A Russell's Answer Allen Russell and Abigail Allen appearing in this meeting for their answer: Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time before next monthly meeting advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage orderly solemnized; And William Mosher and William Wood are appointed to see said marriage orderly solemnized and make report next monthly meeting

John Williams requested (By the way of the preparative meeting) a Certificate to the monthly meeting of Rhode Island setting forth his clearness respecting marriage, and Conversation; Wherefore our friends Benjamin Faber and William Anthony Junr are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter; and if they find things clear, to draw one and bring with them to next monthly meeting

Philip Maccomber Informing by the way of the Preparative meeting that he hath thoughts of moving to the Ninepartners with his family, Live desiring Friends advice therein, and removal Certificate for himself and family if Friends think proper Wherefore Elijah Gifford, Thomas Hicks and Samuel Smith are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they things clear to bring a Removal Certificate with them to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of Benjamin Allen Jedediah Allen and others of their family. Reports that they have had a further opportunity with them, and that as the matter is difficult they request it continued another month which accordingly continued and Joseph Barker is added to them in that case and they are to act therein as they in the Wisdom of Truth may be directed, and make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting concludes to discontinue all our Week day meetings in the week of the next Quarterly meeting be held here this year And that our next Preparative meeting be held the 26<sup>th</sup> of this instant

This meeting having received from the meeting for Sufferings Forty of Stephen Cripps Epistles and Forty of Mary Brooks on Silent waiting at nine pence Lawfull money per Set: To be paid for by those members who chuse to have them; therefore our Friends William Mosher Dannel Ricketson, Henry Smith, Caleb Green and Timothy Ricketson are appointed to dispose of Books as they see proper and bring the money if ready to the adjournment of this meeting

The Committee appointed to sell wood, reports that they have sold five Cords and one Eight, at two dollars per Cord is ten dollars and a Quarter Which is paid or sent to the Treasurer

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This Meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship  
Met by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1781  
The Representatives being called both Present

The Queries have been read and answers thereto approved and read and approved, also an Epistle signed by the Clerk all which is ordered forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Elijah Gifford John Devoe Samuel Smith and Stephen Buffinton and they to make report next monthly meeting

By order

9 month 1781 Samuel Butler attended this meeting with a Copy of a minute from the monthly meeting of the Ninepartners setting forth his being a member in unity, which was Inscribed in this meeting

In concurrence with the Women Friends Robt Smiths Certificate from East Hoosuck monthly meeting was Inscribed in this meeting

The friends that had the disposal of Stephen Cripps Epistles and Mary Brooks on Silent waiting report that they have disposed of them and sent the money to the meeting for Sufferings

10 month 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives, are Henry Smith and Joshua Piter present

The Representatives to the Quarterly Meeting Report that they all attended and produced an Epistle to this meeting; as also a Copy of an Epistle from the yearly meeting held in Philadelphia for Pennsylvania and New Jersey &c: which Epistles were Read to Satisfaction

The friends continued in the Case of Jonas Rocum report that they have had a Sole Conference with him but he gave them no Satisfaction they thereupon produced a Testimony of his denial which was signed by the Clerk who is desired to Read it at the home at the Close of of a first day meeting for Worship between this and next monthly meeting said friends also report that they have informed said Rocum that Friends would proceed to disown him

Seth Russell reports that he hath informed David Hart of his Denial according to appointment and his right to an appeal

The Clerk reports he hath read the Testimony of denial against Caleb Shearman according to appointment; and Joseph Tucker reports that he hath informed said Shearman of the same: Which was as follows

Whereas Caleb Shearman son of Philip Shearman; And Hannah his Wife daughter of Jacob Russell deceased; Having had a Right of Membership with us the people called Quakers, but through unwearied Fulsness and by disregarding the Testimony of Truth in their own hearts, have so far deviated therefrom, as to fall into the Sin of Fornication, which is Evident by their having a Child soon after marriage; And Friends having Treated with them in Love in Order to shew the Evil of their Transgression, and restore them to the way of Truth; But their Labour of Love not having the desired Effect to Friends Satisfaction; Friends are concerned to give this Testimony against them the said Caleb Shearman and Hannah as a Testimony against them from being members of our Society, and his Wife, hereby disowning them from being members of our Society, and from under the Care of this meeting; yet our desire is that they may become truly sensible of their Transgression and be restored to the way of Truth

Signed in and on behalf of men and women  
By William Anthony Junr Clerk  
monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1781

The Friends appointed to see the marriage of Allen Russell and Abigail Allen orderly solemnized, reports that they attended said marriage and that they did not discover but that it was solemnized in a good degree orderly

The Friends to take the necessary care in inquiring into John Williams Clearness and Certificate to Rhode Island monthly meeting setting forth the same, Report, that they have not accomplished it by reason of some Distraction and that therefore they advise and picketh it by reason of some Distraction it is accordingly deferred and month with an addition to the Committee it is accordingly deferred and William Mosher John Devoe and Joseph Gifford are added to them and they to make report to next monthly meeting

By order

By order



10 month 1781 A Removal Certificate was produced to this meeting for Philip Maccomber his Wife Susanna and their Children whose names are Edith Gardner, Barnabus, Abraham, and Hannah, directed to the monthly meeting of Ninepartners setting forth that said Maccomber affairs were settled to satisfaction as far as appears, and that he and his Wife are Members in unity as also the Childrens right of membership which Certificate was signed by the Clerk

The friends that had the care of that matter between Jedediah and Benjamin Allen report that matter is mutually settled between the parties concerned

William Sanford informed by the way of the preparative meeting that his Thoughts going to Ninepartners to see his Relations also to make some visit there and desiring a few lines from this meeting which concurs with. He being a member in unity, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute

Seth Russell Informing this meeting that he intends a visit to Oslong and Ninepartners to see his Relations, and to attend the Quarterly meeting at Oslong - Requesting a few lines thereon - He being a member in unity and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this meeting a minute And this meeting approves of the same

This Meeting taking into consideration the advice of the Quarterly Conference a Committee for visiting the monthly meetings: The Expediency of settling another Preparative meeting in this monthly meeting - wherefore we appoint Joseph Tucker, Caleb Russell, William Hooper, Benjamin Tabor, William Anthony Junr, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, Stephen Buffinton, Joseph Barker, Joseph Gifford, Seth Kiddleston, Henry Smith and Abel Gifford a Committee and to Joine the Women friends and to take the same into solid consideration and if they find it proper that there should be one, that they describe its Boundaries and make report thereon to next monthly meeting and any other concerned friends may Joine the said Committee therein, if they see proper

Collected - 1-19-0

11 month 1781 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives are John Devol and Henry Smith Present

The Clerk informs he hath Read the Testimony of denial of Jonas Hocum as directed last monthly meeting; Which is as Follows

Whereas Jonas Hocum having had his Education among Friends but through unwearfulness hath so far departed from his Education and his Religious Profession as to fall into the sin of Fornication as appears by the accusation of Elizabeth Akin (that he was the father of her Child) and friends having frequently treated with him on account of his Crime in order to discover to him the evil thereof But our Labour therein not obtaining the desired end or effect to friends Satisfaction; Therefore, for the clearing our Name, and Truth from the reproch thereof, this meeting doth give this forth as a publick Testimony against him and do hereby disown him the said Jonas Hocum from being in membership with us untill by sincere Repentance he shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 19<sup>th</sup> of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1781

By William Anthony Junr. Clerk

The Committee appointed to take into consideration and inspection the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting report that by reason of so many and so great weaknesses prevailing among us, particularly the want of a true discipline being kept up in friends families

The want of unity in some places, and other defects, that it is their opinion that the matter be continued under their care for further Trial" it is accordingly continued under the care of said Committee, who are desired to inspect and Labour to remove those defects and make report to next monthly meeting

Joseph Wing request a few lines from this to Account monthly meeting setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage and conversation, therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford and Chelion Wood to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draught, and bring one to next monthly meeting

John Allen (son of Jonathan) Request a removal Certificate to the monthly meeting of Ninepartners, as he expects to Remove there with his Parents to reside therefore William Gifford and Jonathan Hart are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draught and bring one to next monthly meeting

Gideon Howland desires a copy of a Minute setting forth his right of membership here; directed to the monthly meeting of East Hoosick he being about to take a Journey there on business, which this meeting approves he being a member of this meeting, and the Clerk is directed to give him a Copy hereof

Received Removal Certificate for David Shepherd and David Shepherd Junr from the monthly meeting Smithfield their wives and Children which Childrens names are Caleb, Deborah, Gideon, Allen, Elizabeth and Lydia David Shepherd Junr his Childrens names are Thomas Reliance and John

James Barker attended this meeting and produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting at East Hoosick, setting forth his right of membership and their unity of his visiting his relations on which Certificate was Endorsed his attending this meeting to a degree of Satisfaction

The Women friends Inform they have admitted Patient Austin (Wife of Joseph Austin) into membership; which this meeting concurs with

The Committee appointed to the case take the necessary care in the case of John Williams request for a Certificate to Rhoadsland monthly meeting, setting forth his clearness respecting Marriage and Conversation, Report that they find things so far clear in that case; provided said John would acknowledge his misconduct (in this meeting) toward a young Woman he formerly kept Company with; And he appearing in this meeting and acknowledging and condemning the same, desiring Friends to pass it by - And this Meeting accepts the same for Satisfaction Whereupon a Certificate was prepared and signed by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of Rhoadsland in his behalf setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation

Collected - 2-1-6

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1781 The Representatives Stephen Buffinton and Barnabus Russell both present

A Certificate in behalf Joseph Wing directed to the monthly meeting at account, setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

A Certificate in behalf of John Allen (son of Jonathan) directed to the monthly meeting of Ninepartners setting forth his being a member of this meeting, clearness respecting marriage and settlement of his outward affairs was produced in this meeting and signed by the Clerk



10 month 1781  
Certificate for the same as usual

The late Ben Allen settled

W. Anford received a Certificate

Russell request a Certificate

Confering a rather preparative meeting

11 month 1781

Testimony denied of a meeting

Com. on the consequences of these things do appoint William Anthony Jr. and John Devoal, William Gifford, and James Davis a Committee

on dividing preparative meeting

The Queries were read in this meeting and answers thereto, and approved, and an Epistle to the next Quarterly meeting prepared and signed by the Clerk; all which is forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives; Who are Stephen Buffinton, Benjamin Smith, Samuel Smith, William Anthony Jr. and Barnabus Russell And they to report next monthly meeting

Micajah Wilcox Informing this meeting he intends a Visit to Solong to see his Relations, and make some stay there; desiring a few lines thereon: this meeting approving of the same he having a Right of membership among us, and the Clerk is directed to give a Copy of this minute Collected -- 1-18-81

This meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant, after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781 The Representatives being called both present

The Committee appointed to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to Remove some defect among it Report that they have made some progress therein and desire said matter deferred to next monthly meeting under their care and then they to make report

The Overseers inform'd in writing that James Johnson had conducted very unbecoming in his Conversation as set forth in said writing. Therefore we appoint William Barker, David Shepherd, Henry Smith to enquire into the case and Labour with said Johnson for the above matters as forth may open the way, and report next monthly meeting

This Meeting adjourns to the 6<sup>th</sup> day of next month after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 6<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1782 The Representatives being called neither of them present

The Committee appointed some time ago to Collect Friends Sufferings min. Report that they have made such progress therein as to Collect most of Suffering them to this time, and the account of them being read in this meeting and approved, was directed to be sign'd by the Clerk and sent up to the meeting for Sufferings, and a Copy thereof left on file

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are Lathan Wood and William Gifford present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, Report, that they all attended that meeting, and now produce, an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting - a Transcript of last Yearly meeting's Epistles Copies of two minutes of the meeting for Sufferings, and an Epistle from New York - all which were read in this meeting, well accepted; and by the Epistle from the Quarterly meeting and New York, and one of the minutes from the meeting for Sufferings; we have a description of the horrid Dangers which some members of Society, have exposed them selves and the Republic the Truth may be brought under by them, in the pursuit of such Voyages and buisness, as is therein pointed out - This meeting feeling a concern to make enquiry and guard against our fellow members from the consequences of these things; do appoint William Anthony Jr. and John Devoal, William Gifford, and James Davis a Committee to make the necessary enquiry in the compass of this monthly meeting Respecting these things, and to Labour therein as they in True Wisdom may be directed and to make report next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to Labour to remove some defect among us report that they have made some further progress therein & desire said matter continued & referred to next monthly meeting under their care they then to make report

11 month 1782

Adjourn

Minutes reported next monthly meeting

Minutes reported next monthly meeting

11 month 1782

William Jackson attended meeting

no report on report on the trade

no report on the trade

Johnsons concern

The Friends appointed to enquire into and Labour with James Johnson on his unbecoming Conversation, Report, that they have taken the necessary care in that matter; And that he acknowledges his misconduct, and is willing to make Friends satisfaction, and that they think it best to be continued under the care of a Committee to see it fully accomplished, therefore this meeting doth continue the same under the care of the same Friends who are to make report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting Collected -- 1-18-81

This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 30<sup>th</sup> of the 1<sup>st</sup> month 1782 The Representatives being called both present

There being several matters advised and recommended from the Yearly and Quarterly meetings, they are deferred to the Consideration of next monthly meeting, on account of the small number of members at this adjournment

The Committee appointed to Collect Friends Sufferings, Report that they have Collected an additional account since last monthly meeting which after being read was approved, and ordered to be sent up to the meeting for Sufferings; and a Copy left on file

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 18 day of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are William Barker and Abner Devoal both present

Our Esteemed Friend William Jackson attended this meeting with a Certificate from New Garden Monthly meeting in Chester County in Pennsylvania, dated the 10<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1781, also a few lines from the same monthly meeting dated the 4<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 3<sup>rd</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1782 Which were Read in this meeting to satisfaction and his Visit and Labour of Love acceptable to us

The Committee appointed Last monthly meeting to make inquiry and inspection if there be any such Conduct in any of our members as described in the Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meeting and in a minute of the meeting for Sufferings Report - as are annexed - to the Monthly meeting to be held the 18<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1782

According to appointments we have met and taken into Consideration the Contents of the Epistle from New York made inquiry among our members and whose Suspicion arose have cautioned and advised endeavoring to set forth the bad tendency of such proceedings according to our ability; and as nothing appears openly, conclude according to our ability; and as nothing appears openly, conclude to let the matter rest for the present under friends weighty Consideration and inspection from your friends James Davis, William Wood, William Anthony Jr., John Devoal, William Gifford

This meeting Concludes to continue said Committee in the further care of that matter and make report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to Labour to remove some defect among us Report, that they have made some further progress therein and that as it is a matter that cannot be speedily accomplished, desire it continued & it is therefore continued under their further care and progress who are to make report thereof to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his unbecoming Conversation and his acknowledging his misconduct therein Report, that they wait to receive an answer from William Gifford at Nantucket, whom James said had wronged him and that account desires the matter deferred, this meeting desires to discover the sincerity of James condemning his misconduct and they to make report of their progress thereof next monthly meeting



10 month 1781

Certificate for a man and wife

The last Ben Allen settled

W. Sanford reads a certificate

Russell reads a certificate

adjourn

Conferring a matter in previous meeting

Respecting being sent to Sandwich Quarter

The women advise assistance

11 month 1781

Concerning friends books

Testimony of S. Stocum

Bill

Certificate for Henry and Rebecca

Jeremiah Smith

3 month 1782

Report on a matter

Bennet Wing informs this meeting that he intends Marriage with Rhoda Ricketson Daughter of William Ricketson & the said Bennet producing a Certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting setting forth his Clearness before respecting marriage he also hath consent of Parents in Writing

George Folger informs this meeting he intends marriage with Rebecca Thove, And produced a few lines from two Friends of Nantucket monthly meeting setting forth that they find nothing to hinder his having a Certificate on that account, at their next monthly meeting and that they were appointed by the meeting for that purpose. Said George also produced consent of Parents in writing

Bennet Wing and Rhoda Ricketson appear in this meeting and declare their intentions of taking Each other in marriage as also George Folger and Rebecca Thove who were desired to write a Certificate till next monthly meeting for their answer. Collected - 2 - 3 - 10

This Meeting Received a Copy of a minute of the meeting for suffering containing an extract from an Epistle from Philadelphia respecting the Bibles, Which Friends subscribed for Expressing that there is no way yet opened for procuring them, and this minute and extract were Read in this meeting

This Meeting is adjourned till to morrow at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour Met by adjournment the 19<sup>th</sup> day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1782 The Representatives being called both Present

The matter referred from last Quarterly meeting to us in regard to our Endeavouring to remove the Obstacles that render the usefulness of our being Annexed to Sandwich Quarter was taken into weighty consideration in this meeting; and we are very desirous to be in Labour to remove the above Difficulties as Truth opens the way; and as there is a large Committee under appointment by this meeting, in order to remove those defects complained of This matter is referred to next monthly meeting under their care

The Women Friends Inform that there is a Difficult matter subsisting among Friends them and desire the assistance of this meeting; therefore we appoint our Friends William Wood, James Davis, Benjamin Stocum, Stephen Buffinton Seth Russell, Peleg Gifford, Giles Stocum, Benjamin Chase, and Abel Gifford to advise and assist the Women Friends as Truth opens the way

The Committee appointed some time past to collect this meeting; books report, that they want some addition as there is one absent therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker Juner Elijah Gifford and Benjamin Howland to goe with the former Committee and accomplish that matter and to settle with Caleb Russell in behalf of this meeting as said Caleb had some books to dispose of for this meeting

The Overseers of the poor handed in an account to this meeting from Hannah Smith for keeping Alice Smith 35 weeks to the amount of 18 - 10 - 0 Lawful money which being accepted, The Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money from this meeting

This meeting sign'd a Removal Certificate for Henry Howland and Abigail his Wife and Prince and Beriah Howland and their young Children directed to the monthly meeting of Acushet which they being removed there to Live

Jeremiah Smith attended this meeting with a Copy of a minute of the Monthly meeting held at Saratoga the 11<sup>th</sup> of 1 month 1782 which was read in action, The said minute being Endorsed in this meeting to the same purpose and signed

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are William Wood and Thomas Russell both present The Committee to make Enquiry if there be any such Conduct in any of our members as described in the Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meeting and minute from the meeting for suffering Report

10 month 1782

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Report

at respect

being found

Quarter

signed by

Dated this

The above

Johnsons deferred

received a Certificate for Folger

Stephen Barker requests a Certificate

At the Request of Timothy Russell

George Folger and Rebecca Thove

for their answer

which were Each Cuple

Marriage at some convenient time

shall appoint to see the said marriages

Report, that they have made some further inspection and find nothing different from their report last monthly meeting that matter is therefore continued under the care of the same Friends who are to report of their progress therein to next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our preparative meeting and to Labour in removing such defect as they find among us Report, that they have been in a further progress in those things and that it is their Judgment that they be continued under a Committee for a yet further Progress in those weighty matters

The same Committee having that matter in charge respecting this meeting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, as recommended from last Quarterly meeting, Report, as follows Which is accepted

We of the Committee unto whom the matter was referred respecting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, having taken said matter under Consideration, and find those obstacles still remaining which we have been in a Labour to remove. But as that is a work of time, we as a Committee have been under deep Engagement of mind that this good work may be affected in its proper season in which exercise we had most fully to witness the owning hand and arm of Divine goodness to be with us to our encouragement; but as yet we do not find the way open to be joined to Sandwich Quarter as those Obstacles are remaining which is cause of pain and sorrow of heart

Signed by Order and in behalf of said Committee By Samuel Smith Deborah Hicks 14<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1782

The above said Committee are continued in said Service and to report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his misconduct; and to discover his sincerity in condemning the same report that they have made further progress therein, yet they desire the matter referred to next monthly meeting, which is accordingly under their care they then to make report

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket in behalf of George Folger setting forth that he is a member of Society and Clear of marriage Entanglements there

Stephen Barker requests a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Sandwich, setting forth his Right of membership and Clearness respecting marriage; therefore Benjamin Gifford and John Bboval are appointed to take the necessary care of that matter and if they find things clear to bring a Certificate to next monthly meeting

At the Request of Timothy Russell for advice from this meeting respecting his disposing his outward Estate, we appoint our Friends Giles Stocum and Joseph Barker, to advise said Timothy therein, and Report to next monthly meeting

George Folger and Rebecca Thove appearing in this meeting for their answer, as also Bennet Wing and Rhoda Ricketson which were Each Cuple might proceed to take Each other in Marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting; advising with the Friends therein which this meeting shall appoint to see the said marriages, Orderly solemnized and our Friends Thomas Russell and Jonathan Willor are appointed to see the first cuple and Joseph Gifford the last couples marriages orderly solemnized; and to make report next monthly meeting Collected 5 - 6 - 3

This meeting is adjourned to the 27<sup>th</sup> Instant for meeting for Worship Met by adjournment the 27<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1782 The Representatives being called both present The Friends appointed



10 months  
1781

Certificate  
for the Com<sup>rs</sup>  
Wife

2 Queries  
answered

The Cafe  
Ben Allen  
Seth

W. Bradford  
resolves  
a Certificate

Com<sup>rs</sup>  
to  
Women  
for  
report  
the  
matter  
settled

Certificate  
for  
Ben  
Allen

4 months  
1782

Confirming  
another  
preparative  
meeting

Return from  
meeting

Copies of  
Epistles  
Received

Choosing  
overseers  
referred

Report on  
Clandestine  
Trade

11 months  
1781

Report on  
Clandestine  
Trade

Testimony  
denial of  
S. Adams

In being  
annexed to  
Sandwich  
Quarter

Case of James  
Johnson

Certificate  
for Stephen  
Barker

The Friends appointed (at the first sitting of this meeting) to take the necessary care on the request of Stephen Barker for a Certificate to add to their number in that matter, therefore Seth Huddleston and William Mosher are added to them

The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle signed to the Quarterly meeting all which are forwarded to the said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives James Davis, Caleb Greene, William Mosher, Chilon Wood and Benjamin Cise and they to report to the next monthly meeting

This meeting directed that the Representatives to the Quarterly meeting draw the sum of 23-12-0 out of our Treasury and pay the same to the yearly meeting Treasurer in order to supply the yearly meeting's lack and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to assist the Women Friends in a difficult matter subsist<sup>d</sup> in their meeting Report, that they have rendered their assistance according to a belly of prayer therein, and that matter is settled as will appear by the records of the Womens meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 4 month 1782 The Representatives are John Devoal and Seth Huddleston both Present

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting Report, that they all attended and produced an Epistle from the meeting which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction: As also the Extracts from our last yearly meeting minutes

This meeting Received 160 Epistles Copies of the last Epistle from the yearly meeting in London: also 160 Copies of the Representation on behalf of Friends, to the President of Council, and the Assembly of Synyuania One of Each of which were read in this meeting to good Satisfaction

The Choice of Overseers being under consideration at this time it is referred to next monthly meeting for further consideration, as also Overseers of Poor who are continued till others are appointed

The Committee to make inquiry, if there be any such conduct in any of our members, as described in an Epistle from New York to the Quarterly Meeting, Report that they have had that matter under own Inspection but did not find any thing different from last report, they are therefore continued in that Service, and are desired to make diligent and Impartial Inquiry in those things, and make report next monthly meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and endeavor to remove the obstacles which hinder such a division think it best to defer another month for further progress, it is accordingly deferred under their care who are then to report

The same Committee had the matter in charge respecting the Meeting being annexed to Sandwich Quarter, and made report of their proceedings therein last monthly meeting, which is all that appears needful therein at present

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his miscomprehension and severity of Condemning it, Report, that they have not fully accomplished that matter, it is therefore continued under their care, and if he doth not give them satisfaction, that they draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care in the request of Stephen Barker for a Certificate to Sandwich monthly meeting being forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage Report that they have taken the necessary care therein and brought a Certificate with them which was read in this meeting and signed

The friends appointed last

The Friends appointed last monthly meeting to advise Timothy Russell according to his request, in selling his outward Estate, Report, that they have advised him therein thro' the matter of his disposing his Estate is dropped for the present

The friends appointed to see George Folgers and Rebecca Shove's and also Bennett Wing and Rhoda Ricketson's marriages solemnized make Report that they all attended said marriages and that they were solemnized in some degree Orderly

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting inform, that they Received the money, ordered last monthly meeting, for our monthly meetings Treasurer, to be paid to the yearly meetings Treasurer, and that it was paid to him as directed

The Women friends inform last monthly meeting, that they deny'd Judith Hathaway Wife of Sethro Hathaway's, which she then omitted being ministered, yet this meeting concurs therewith

Joseph Mosher and Elizabeth Briggs Declared Intentions of marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their assent, said Mosher having produced a Certificate from Smithfield monthly meeting also parents consent

Andrew Nicols the 3<sup>d</sup> being about to return to live with his father again within South Kingstons monthly meeting, this meeting Endors'd a few Lines on the back of his Certificate which he brought from said monthly meeting

The Committee appointed some time past to collect this meetings Books, Now make report, that they have collected them, as by the list on file, And that they have settled with William Mosher and Rec'd 0-17-5 of him, and 0-12-0 of Caleb Rufel, for Books which they sold belonging to this meeting said money is paid to the Treasurer

Jonathan Willbor and Thomas Russell are appointed to have the care of this meetings Books, as aforesaid and to lend them out to, whom they may see proper, and to see them returned, and they to remain till service till others are appointed when they are to make Report

Friend conclude to to meet tomorrow generally to mend up the Fence round our meeting house

Collected - 1 - 4 - 4

This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of 4 month 1782

The Representatives being called both Present

The Committee appointed some time past to collect friends suffering have not accomplish'd that part of the business in completing their account of Friends suffering, as to present it to this meeting, and desire the meeting to adjourn

Received a Removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Nantucket, in behalf of Joseph Roth, who hath removed in the Company of this meeting to Live

This Meeting adjourns to the 8<sup>th</sup> of next month after the meeting of Worship Mett by adjournment of 8<sup>th</sup> of the 5 month 1782. The Representatives are Seth Huddleston present, and John Devoal not present, For which he hath rendered no excuse

The Committee to Collect accounts of Friends sufferings, having Corrected those accounts that wear returned from the meeting of sufferings, which after being Read were approved and sent up to the meeting for sufferings.

an account of  
Worship



10 month 1781

5 month 1782 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> mo. 1782

Overseers refer

The Representatives are Jonathan Willbor and Prince Polton

The Sabbath Women friends

The appointing Overseers being again under consideration it is refer'd to next monthly meeting, as also Overseers of the poor

John Barker request a Certificate

On the Women friends requesting the assistance of this meeting in a difficult case subsisting in their meeting; our friends, Peleg Gifford, James Davis, Elijah Gifford, Seth Huddleston and Caleb Greene are appointed for that purpose, and to report to next monthly meeting

John Barker request a Certificate

John Barker requests a Certificate to the Monthly Meeting of Rhode Island setting forth his clearness respecting marriage and conversation; Therefore Stephen Buffinton and Peleg Gifford are appointed to take the necessary care in that matter and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to next monthly meeting

Peleg Gifford request a Certificate

The Committee to make enquiry if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New-York to the meeting for Sufferings; Report, that they have laboured and advised where they have suspected such conduct; they are continued in that Service and Benjamin Taber is added to them; and they are desired to make further Inspection and labour in those things; and make report next monthly meeting

Peleg Gifford request a Certificate

The Committee to inspect into the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to endeavour to remove such obstacles as hinder such a Division; Report, that they have continued their labour therein; and that it be another month, which is accordingly under their care, and they then to make report

Peleg Gifford request a Certificate

The Friends appointed to Labour with James Johnson on his misconduct, and to discover his Sincerity in condemning it report that they have laboured further with him; yet they are continued in that Service, who are desired to extend their further care in that matter; and if he on their Labour with him doth not give them Satisfaction, to draw a Testimony of his denial and bring to next monthly meeting; Informing him thereof; or otherwise to make report accordingly

Peleg Gifford request a Certificate

Joseph Mosher and Elisabeth Briggs appeared in this meeting for their Answer; and their answer was; We do not find any thing to hinder their proceeding in marriage and that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting; advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage orderly solemnized said friends are Benjamin Smith and William Anthony Junr who are to report next monthly meeting

Peleg Gifford request a Certificate

William Sanford returned the Copy of the minutes of this meeting of 10 month last; with an Endowment from the monthly meeting of Ninepartners, that he attended that meeting to Satisfaction

Peleg Gifford request a Certificate

William Barker gave in an account of Hay and cutting for this meeting amounting to 5-7-6, which the Treasurers is directed to pay

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10 month 1782

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 17<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1782

Jonathan Willbor is appointed Clerk for this day

Representatives are Peleg Gifford Joseph Barker Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Howland all present

John Barker request a Certificate

A Certificate for John Barker, to the Monthly meeting at Rhode Island setting forth his right of membership and clearness respecting marriage was signed in this meeting by the Cert

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

Samuel Smith informs this meeting that he is about to take a Voyage to Sea, and he requesting our Certificate, setting forth his right of membership; therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Tucker Junr, Peleg Gifford, Thomas Russell and Jonathan Willbor to inspect the Circumstances of the Vessel and Voige, and if they find things clear, to prepare a Certificate and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting; if Samuel doth not want it before, if he doth the Committee may sign in behalf of said meeting

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

This Meeting Adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

Met by Adjournment this 24<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1782

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Representatives are Peleg Gifford, Joseph Barker, Seth Huddleston and Benjamin Howland all present

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Choice of Overseers coming again under the notice of this meeting It is refer'd to next Monthly meeting for a choice of them; as also Overseers of the poor

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Friends appointed to assist the Women by their request last monthly meeting; Report, that they have assisted in the ability offered

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Committee to make further enquiry, if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New-York to the meeting for Sufferings; Report that they have made further enquiry, and where such conduct was suspected, have given such advice as they were enabled to; yet that matter continued under their further care who are to report to next monthly meeting

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meetings, and labour to remove such Obstacles as hinder such a division; Report that they have continued their labour therein; yet define the matter continued another month; it is accordingly deferred under the care of the same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to report

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of James Johnson's misconduct Report that they have not accomplished that matter, as one of the Committee was sick, and they request it may be deferred, till next monthly meeting under their care, and Stephen Buffinton and William Sanford are added to them who are desired to extend their care in that matter so as to accomplish it before next monthly meeting and then to make report

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Joseph Mosher and Elisabeth Briggs, Report that they attended said marriage and that they did not find but it was in some good degree orderly solemnized

Samuel Smith inform this meeting

The Women friends requesting to this meeting to assist them in Labouring to remove defects respecting Platings, and other defects, which this meeting taking into serious consideration do appoint James Davis, Abel Gifford and Caleb Greene a

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Certificate of membership for Mrs. W. & C. W.

The Certificate of Ben. Allen

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Certificate of L. Russell

Certificate of L. Russell

Confessing another

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Testimony of Philip

Committee on Philip

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Agreed on

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6 month 1782 A Committee, to Joine the Women in that Service in removing those defects so prevalent among the youth and others and make Report to next monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate, in behalf of Elisabeth Mather wife of Joseph Mather being forth her right of membership directed to the monthly meeting of Smithfield was signed in this meeting by the Clerk

Adjoined Mett This meeting adjourns to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting for Worship Mett by adjournment the 26<sup>th</sup> of 6 month 1782

The Representatives being called are Pleg Gifford, Joseph Parker, Seth Huddleston, and Benjamin Howland, all present

Caleb Greene, being assistant is appointed Clerk for this day

A Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of Lamuel Smith, setting forth his right of membership directed to us it may concern's he being about to take a Voyage to Sea

The Overseer Inform (by way of Preparative meeting) that Giles Locum<sup>us</sup> and Caleb Anthony did some time past fall into a Gild unwhodily Strife, so far that some blows were given for which they have been laboured with by said Overseers, but they did not find them dispos'd to give friends satisfaction: Therefore Daniel Richeson Prince Potter and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to take an opportunity of solid conference with the young men, and if they do not find satisfaction to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring to next monthly meeting, and if otherwise to make report accordingly

This meeting receiving the following request from Sandwich monthly meeting From our Monthly meeting of Friends held at Rochester for Sandwich the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1782 To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth

Philip Howland Having had a right of membership with us and served an apprenticeship in the Verge of your meeting, since which we have been informed, he has deviated from our principles particularly in sailing in a Vessel Armed in a warlike manner - which misconduct we now desire you will labour with him for, as Truth and our discipline may direct - with our salutation of love we conclude your Friends and Brethren

Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by Rich Delano Clerk

Whereupon our Friends Joseph Tucker<sup>us</sup> and James Davis are appointed to labour with the said Philip Howland on his said misconduct and if he doth not give them satisfaction, to prepare a Testimony of his denial and bring with them to next monthly meeting

The Queries were read and answers thereto read, and after some amendment, were approved, and sent up to the Quarterly meeting our Epistle which was also read and signed by the Clerk and sent up by our Representatives, who are Samuel Smith, Barnabas Mather, Micajah Wilcox and Thomas Russell, and they to make report next monthly meeting

7 month 1782 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 7 month 1782

The Representatives are John Devald & Chilon Wood both present The Choice of Overseers being refer'd from last monthly meeting to this whereupon James Davis, Joseph Parker, Caleb Greene, Seth Huddleston & Caleb Russell are appointed, and a further choice refer'd to next monthly meeting

The Choice of Overseers of the Poor being also refer'd to this meeting Seth Russell, Jonathan Willbor, John Devald, Thomas Russell, Barnabas Russell and Chilon Wood for that Service the year ensuing

The Committee to inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder such a division Report that they have continued their labour therein, yet desire the matter refer'd another month, it is accordingly defer'd under the care of the same Committee to next monthly meeting they then to make report

The Committee to make further enquiry and discovery, if there is any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for sufferings with a copy of a minute of that meeting thereon Reports that they Endeavoured to discharge themselves in that Trust by inspecting, and where any have been suspected, to labour with them as way opened - yet they are continued in that Service and to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson's misconduct report, that they have not accomplished that matter, and that it might be refer'd till next monthly meeting, it is accordingly defer'd under their care, who are desired to accomplish the same as soon as may be and make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat with Giles Locum<sup>us</sup> and Caleb Anthony on their falling into a bodily Strife in which blows were given who gave them a good degree of satisfaction, with a paper condemning their said misconduct, which accepted for satisfaction, provided they cause said paper to be read in a publick manner at the close of a first day meeting of Worship before next monthly meeting they being present and make report thereof to that meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of Worship Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of 7 month 1782 Represent<sup>ed</sup> both present

The Friends appointed to labour with Philip Howland on his misconduct and if he did not give them satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his denial, Report, that they had an opportunity with him and that he did not give them satisfaction they therefore produced a Testimony of his denial, which was read and after a little alteration signed by the Clerk, who is directed to read the same publickly in our usual manner, and make report to next monthly meeting said Committee also report that they informed said Howland of the conclusion of this meeting

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report that they all attended said meeting to satisfaction, and produced an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting, also Transcripts of the following Epistles Viz One from our Yearly meeting in London last year One from the Yearly meeting in London last year One from Pennsylvania last year One from Westbury on Long Island last this year also Copy of the Extract from our last yearly meetings minutes all which were read in the meet to good satisfaction



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W. L. Russell Jr. rec'd a certificate

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Testimony of denial of B. H. Locum

Philip Howland denied

Report on visiting & prospect meeting

7 month 1782, Report of Committee on Plainness

Chilon Wood request for Children

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James Johnson

Giles Locum Caled Anthony

Philip Howland denied

The Committee to Joine the Women in labouring to remove some defects respecting Plainness, and other defects among us Report, that they have maid some progress therein, as way hath opened, and that they yet feel the weight of that Service: They are therefore continue therein, and to make report thereof when ready

Chilon Wood requesting his children may be admitted under our Care: Thomas Kicks and John Devol, are appointed to take the Joine the Women, and to take the necessary care therein and make report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth y<sup>th</sup> of 8<sup>th</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are Luthan Wood and Thomas Mott both present An additional choice of Overseers being refer'd from Last monthly meeting to this; and some friends being named thereto yet it is refer'd to next monthly meeting

The Committee Inspect into the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting and to labour to remove such Obstacles as hinder such a division Report, that they have continued their labours and desires the matter defer'd another month under the care of the same Committee; it is accordingly defer'd under their care to next monthly meeting they then to make report

The Committee to make further enquiry and discovery, if there is any such unwarrantable conduct, in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the meeting for sufferings, with a Copy of the meeting for sufferings thereon Report nothing different from last monthly meeting; they are therefore continued in that Service except James Davis, who desires to be dismissed therefrom, on account of other Services; he is accordingly dismissed, and Jonathan Willcox is appointed therein, who with the others of the Committee, are desired to attend close to the Service and make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of James Johnson Report that they have not accomplished that matter, he being absent from home it is therefore continued under their care, who are who are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting if it may be and report to said meeting

The Clerk Inform that Giles Locum Jun<sup>r</sup> and Caled Anthony have not caused their paper to be read as directed last monthly meeting by reason of disappointment they are therefore directed to take necessary care in that matter and report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of Philip Howland has been read as directed last monthly meeting which is as followeth

Whereas Philip Howland of Dartmouth having had his Education among Friends, and under our care, but hath so far departed from the pleacable profession we make, as to go several Voyges to sea on board of Vessels Armed in a warlike manner, for which equal he hath been laboured with, but he continuing to justify the same Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society and from our care - Nevertheless it is our desire that he may com to a right and sense of his outgoing, and return to the way of Truth

Given forth at our Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth by adjournment y<sup>th</sup> 24 of 7<sup>th</sup> month 1782 Signed in and on behalf of said meeting by Wm. Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk

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The Friends appointed to Joine the Women and take the necessary care in Chilon Woods request, make a satisfactory report, yet they then to make Report

Thomas Russell hath brought in an account to this meeting for some repairs of the meeting house, amounting to £2. 2. 9 which being examined is approved

This meeting received a copy of a Minute from Accoxset Monthly meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> of 7<sup>th</sup> month last; Signifying that John Gifford son of Abiel Gifford has returned to this meeting

Our Friends Micajah Wilcox, Barnabus Mosher Jun<sup>r</sup>, Barnabus Russell, Gideon Anthony, Caled Barker, and Elijah Gifford, are appointed to receive such sums as friends may subscribe in their freedom, toward supplying the Yearly meeting stock of £50 and report of the sum total so subscribed to next Monthly Meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1782 The Representatives are Benjamin Faber & Thomas Russell, Benjamin Faber present; Thomas Russell not present, for which no excuse or Reason being offered

The additional choice of Overseers being refer'd to this meeting Benjamin Smith is appointed to that place, in addition to those appointed in the 7<sup>th</sup> month last, and a further choice is refer'd to next monthly meeting

The Committee to Inspect into the expediency of dividing our preparative meeting, and to labour to remove such obstacles which hinder such a division Report, that they have been in a labour therein, but that they have not got through it to satisfaction, therefore desires the matter continued till it is accordingly continued in that Service and to report when ready

The Committee to make further enquiry, if there be any such unwarrantable conduct in any of our members as described in an Epistle from New York to the Quarterly meetings, with a copy of the meeting for sufferings thereon, Report nothing different from last monthly meeting they are therefore continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson, Report, that they have not accomplished that matter, by reason James being gone from home, a great distance; they therefore desire the matter continued another month; it is accordingly refer'd to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends who are desired to accomplish the same by that time and make report thereto

Report hath been made that Giles Locum Jun<sup>r</sup> and Caled Anthony's paper was read as directed last monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Joine the women friends and take the necessary care in Chilon Woods request for his Children make a satisfactory report; therefore this meeting concludes to admit his Children whose names are Charles and Ruth, into membership with us and under our care

The women inform that they have received a removal Certificate from Accoxset monthly meeting in behalf of Mary Wing wife of Joseph Wing

This meeting hath signed a certificate of Information to the monthly meeting of the Oblong, respecting Lydia Boyd, daughter of William Bowditch, who hath gon there some years past to live



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This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> of this Month after meeting of

Mett by adjournment of 25<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1782  
The Representatives being called both present  
Thomas Russell rendered sufficient reason for his not attending  
at the first sitting of this meeting which is accepted

The Overseers inform by the way of the Preparative meeting that  
Benjamin Smith son of Eleazer hath taken an oath in common form  
before a Magistrate: it is also reported of him that he pertrikes  
of Spiritous Liquors to excess, that he uses Vulgar and profane  
Language at times: he also much neglects the attendance of our  
Religious meetings, for which misconduct labour hath been bestowed  
for his recover, yet we appoint our friends William Anthony  
and Thomas Russell to labour further with him the said Benjamin  
and if he doth not give them satisfaction to draw a Testimony of his  
apical and bring to next monthly meeting

This meeting gave forth a Testimony signed by the Clerk concerning  
our Friend Freeborn Rider deceased in order to be sent up to  
the Quarterly meeting a Copy thereof ordered to be kept on file

The Committee appointed to raise money by way of Subscription  
to supply the Yearly meeting stock report that they raised the sum  
of Eight pounds, which is ordered forward to the Yearly meeting  
Treasurer by our Representatives

The Querie were answered, and said answers ordered forward  
to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Benjamin  
Tabor, Jonathan Martin Caleb Green, and Benjamin Smith 2<sup>d</sup> and  
they to make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 6<sup>th</sup> day of next month after meeting of worship  
Mett by adjournment of 6<sup>th</sup> of 10<sup>th</sup> month 1782

The Representatives being called Thomas Russell present Benjamin  
Tabor not present, and sufficient reason being rendered for his absence

This meeting taking under consideration the disadvantage of  
holding our week day meeting on that week the Quarterly meeting is  
held here; Therefore do discontinue all our week day meetings in that  
week which the Quarterly meeting is held the present year; within  
within the company of this monthly meeting

There was an account signed in this meeting, to the Quarterly meeting  
and ordered forward by our Representatives above named

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth, 20<sup>th</sup> of 10 month 1782

The Representatives are Abraham Howland & Prince Paller both present

The additional Choice of Overseers being referred to this meeting  
Benjamin Tabor and Joseph Tucker are appointed to that place in  
addition to those who were lately appointed for the year ensuing or till  
others are appointed their stead: and they together are desired to look  
for Wisdom to Labour and deal Impartially with all offenders in order  
that our Testimony may be kept up in the several branches thereof

The Committee to make inquiry if there are such unwarrantably  
in any of our members, as discribed in an Epistle from New York the  
Quarterly meeting with a copy of the meeting for sufferings there on Report  
that they have been in a further therein: yet they are continued in that  
Service; and are desired to attend closely to that which will enable them  
Labour effectually with those in such practises; and Report to next  
monthly meeting

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The Friends appointed to labour further with Benjamin Smith son of  
Eleazer, on his taking an oath in common form before a Magistrate  
and some misconduct, Report that they have had an opportunity with  
him; yet desire the matter deferred for further opportunity: it is  
accordingly deferred under their care to next month's meeting they then  
to make report

The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting that they all attended  
that meeting, and produced a copy of an Epistle from that meeting  
which was read in this meeting to good satisfaction: they also returned  
the Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider, and account concerning  
Samuel Chase for some amendment

The Committee appointed to draw Testimony concerning deceased  
friends are desired to make necessary amendment and addition in the  
Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider that was returned from the  
Quarterly meeting for that purpose; and make report to this meeting

The Quarterly meeting (in their last Epistles) among other advice  
advise, that friends be careful to make their Wills without delay as  
Time waits for none: and some late affecting instances of Sundry Re-  
movals death; and others incapacitated to make them, are fresh motives  
for renewed care and attentions in this part of our Discipline. And  
That each Monthly meeting appoint a Committee, to call upon friend  
and excite them to a speedy and active compliance therein: Upon  
which our Friends Joseph Giffords Samuel Smith, William Anthony  
William Mosher, Giles Slocum, and Thomas Hicks are appointed  
for that Service, and also to attend to that whose friends have little or  
no Estate, but have children under age, either provide suitable  
Guardians that the Children may be brought up and Educated among  
Friends - said Committee to make report at our monthly meeting  
next preceeding next Quarterly meeting

The friends appointed in the case of James Johnson Report that they  
have taken the necessary care in that matter and have draughted and  
produced a Testimony against him: as follows

Whereas James Johnson hath had a right of Membership  
amongst us the People called Quakers, but by his departing  
from the Testimony of Truth, has been assisting in fitting of  
Vessels concerned in War: Likewise in using of threatening  
Language against the People of Nantucket, and asserting that  
William Russell had wronged him and when called upon he could  
not make it out: he hath also been too negligent in attending of our  
Religious meetings; all which misconduct said James hath been Lab-  
oured with for, but our Labour of love not having the desired effect  
Therefore, for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such scandalous  
conduct, we give this forth as a publick Testimony against said  
James Johnson, denying of him from being one in Unity and from  
being in membership with us the afore said people: But with desire  
he may be so far favoured as to have a Sight and sense of his mis-  
conduct, and return to the way of well doing, and find forgiveness  
with the Almighty

Signed in and on behalf of our said Monthly meeting  
held in Dartmouth on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the 10 month AD 1782

By William Anthony Clerk  
Which was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed  
to cause the same to be read publicly at the close of a fast day  
Meeting

James Johnson  
Denial

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Freeborn Rider  
Testimony

Copy of Testimony  
concerning  
Freeborn Rider  
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Testimony of denial

James Johnson

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Report on

Meeting for Worship before next Monthly meeting and Report to said meeting, and William Barker is appointed to Inform said James of his denial and make report to this meeting

This meeting concludes to discontinue all our week day meetings within the compass of our monthly meeting, in that week the Quarterly meeting may be held here in June, and that whenever our Preparative meeting happens to fall in that week that the same be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the next week before

William Barker Sr and Deborah Shearman Informed this meeting of their Intentions to take each other in marriage they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer where upon Peleg Gifford, and William Sanford are desired to take the necessary care and Enquiry into the said William's cleanness respecting marriage, as also his Conversation, and make report next Monthly meeting

John Shepherd Sr being about to go to Oblong to make some carry there, desires this meetings concurrence therein, this meeting taking it into consideration approves thereof, he having a right of membership among us; and the Clerk is directed to give him a copy of this minute

This meeting directs the Treasurer to pay Thomas Russell twenty four shillings which he disbursed for Hay, and Report to this meeting

This meeting Adjourns to the 30<sup>th</sup> of this Instant after meeting for worship Meet by adjournment y 30<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1782 The Representatives being called; Prince Potter present, Abraham Howland not present for which some Excuse being rendered

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth, 18<sup>th</sup> of 11 month 1782 The Representatives are John Deval and Benjamin Rider both present This meeting Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of South Kingstown, in behalf of Joseph Austin, son of Jeremiah Austin, signifying his right of Membership, and recommending to the care of this meeting; which is accepted

The Committee to make enquiry if there is any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report nothing different from last month meeting they are therefore continued in that Service (except Benjamin Fabor who is dismissed from on account of other Services) and they are desired to make diligent enquiry, and labour as they see needful and make report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk reports the Testimony of Denial of James Johnson hath been read as directed

The Friends appointed to draw Testimonies of denial against John Howland son of John deceased, and Benjamin Allen son of Philip deceased and inform them thereof, Reported and brought draughts against each of them, and that they have been informed of their denials - said Testimonies are as followeth

Whereas John Howland son of John Howland deceased having long enjoyed his right of Membership among us the people called Quakers But through unwearfulness and disregarding the testimony of Truth on his own Heart have so far departed therefrom

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Allen's denial

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Abraham Anthony's denial of marriage

Anne Gifford's certificate

John Williams' report

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as to fall into the sin of Fornication, which is evident by his Wife's having a child soon after marriage, also married out of the Unity of Friends; and friends having treated with him in love in order to shew him the Evil thereof, but not receiving any real Satisfaction; these friends are concerned to give this forth as a Testimony against him, the said John Howland hereby disowning him from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his Transgression and be Restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18<sup>th</sup> of 11 month 1782 by W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Sr Clerk

Whereas Benjamin Allen son of Philip Allen deceased having had a right of membership with us the people called Quakers but through unwearfulness and disregarding the testimony of Truth in his own heart have so far departed therefrom, as to fall into the sin of Fornication, which is evident by his Wife's having a child soon after marriage, also married out of the Unity of friends and Friends having treated with him in love in order to shew him the Evil thereof, but not Receiving any real Satisfaction; Therefore Friends are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Benjamin Allen hereby disowning him from being one in membership of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his Transgression and be restored to the way of Truth

Given forth and signed in, and on behalf of our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth this 18<sup>th</sup> of 11 month 1782 by W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Sr Clerk

Which are signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is directed to have said Testimonies read publickly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship, before next monthly meeting, and make report thereof

Abraham Anthony son of Philip, deceased, and Lattitia Smith Daughter of Benjamin Smith, Informed this meeting, of their Intentions to take each other in Marriage, said Abraham having produced a Certificate from Rhode Island monthly meeting, setting forth that he is a member of that meeting, and clear of marriage intanglements he also produced consent of parent in writing; upon which they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer

A Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk, in behalf of Anne Gifford, setting forth that she is a member in Unity with us, and that her publick Testimony is acceptable among us; Which was directed to Sandwich monthly meeting, he being about to make a visit within the Limits of that meeting

John Williams Informs that he hath thought of removing to Rhode Island, desiring Friends advice therein; whereupon we appoint, Caleb Russell, Benjamin Fabor, and Caleb Drake to advise with him therein, and Report to next monthly meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 4<sup>th</sup> of next month, at which time meeting for worship meet by adjournment y 4<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782

The Representatives being called both present

The Committee



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Ben Smith no satisfaction therefore they have produced a draft of a Testimony of denial against him which was signed by the Clerk who is desired to read it publickly at the End of a first day meeting for Worship and make report next monthly meeting; and Thomas Russell is appointed to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting.

Ben Smith denial

Ben Smith denial of membership among us the people called Quakers, but through unwalkfulness, and disregarding the Testimony of Truth in his own heart have so far deviated from our Religious principles as to take an Oath in common Form, before a Magistrate, and much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, and friends leaving treated with him in love, in order to shew him the Evil thereof; but not receiving any real satisfaction, are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Benjamin Smith hereby disowning from being a member of our Society, yet our desire is that he may become truly sensible of his misconduct and be restored to the way of Truth; and by a sincere acknowledgment return to the Unity of his Friends again

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11 month 1782. The Committee appointed in the case of Benjamin Smith's Report, they have had a conference with him but he giving them no satisfaction; therefore they have produced a draft of a Testimony of denial against him which was signed by the Clerk who is desired to read it publickly at the End of a first day meeting for Worship and make report next monthly meeting; and Thomas Russell is appointed to Inform him thereof and make report next monthly meeting. - Said Testimony is as followeth

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By William Anthony, Clerk  
William Sanford and Peleg Gifford report they have made the Necessary enquiry in regard to William Barker Junor and find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage; therefore

William Barker and Deborah Shearman appeared for their Answer; Which was, they might proceed to take Each other in Marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee same, who are our friends William Sanford and Peleg Gifford, and they to make report next monthly meeting

George Smith<sup>2</sup> and Mary Smith (daughter of Humphy) declared their Intentions of taking Each other in marriage, and wear of marriage desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer And our Friends Chilion Wood and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to Enquire into the young mans clearness in respect to marriages and conversation, and make report next monthly meeting

Rachel Weaver The Women Friends Inform they have received into membership Rachel Weaver, which we concur with

Ben Shearman Benjamin Shearman hath given in an accompt for casting Hay for this meeting amounting to the sum 18 Shillings which is accepted, and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same, and make Report next monthly meeting

12 Month At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> of 12<sup>th</sup> month 1782 1782. The Representatives are Stephen Buffinton & Seth Huddleston both present On a motion The Committee to make enquiry, if there are any of our Trade Members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c Report

11 month 1782

Report. That they have made further enquiry and that further care therein is necessary, they are therefore continued, and desired to have renewed attention to that matter and make report to next Monthly meeting

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12 Month Report that they have made some progress in that matter and that they find a great deficiency among us on that account The Committee is therefore continued in that Service, and to make Report to the monthly meeting next proceeding the Quarterly meeting in 4<sup>th</sup> month next.

13 Month A Certificate in behalf of Esther Potter daughter of Joshua Potter Certificated created to the monthly meeting of Account. Signifying her right of membership, was signed by the Clerk in concurrence with the Women friends.

14 Month Our Testimony concerning Freeborn Rider deceased, being returned to this meeting, by the Quarterly meeting, for a small amendment. The same was done and is again sent up to the Quarterly meeting.

15 Month The Queries were answered in this meeting, and an Epistle signed by the Clerk, and ordered forward to our next Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Stephen Buffinton, William Mosher, Caleb Greene, Chilon Wood, and Joseph Tucker, they to make report next monthly meeting.

16 Month The Friends appointed in the case of John Potter some time past to make inspection into his conduct &c. Now make report that they have answered their appointment therein: and that he the said John Potter hath fallen into other misconduct particularly in proceeding in marriage out of the Unity of Friends, and his wife having a Child some time past, and they having treated with him for his said misconduct and he did not give them satisfaction, therefore said Committee are continued in said Service and to treat further with him, and if he do not give them satisfaction, to draw a paper of denial against him and bring it to next monthly meeting.

17 Month At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth y<sup>e</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1783 1783 The Representatives are both Heddleston & Stephen Gifford both present

18 Month The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report, that they have made but little progress in that matter since last monthly meeting, and therefore they are continued in that Service. Except Jonathan Willcox who sent a request to be dismissed from that Service on account of sickness in his family; he is accordingly dismissed, and William Mosher is added to said Committee, who are directed to attend diligently to the matter in charge and report to next Monthly meeting.

19 Month Thomas Rebel informs he hath informed Benjamin Smith's of his Denial as desired last monthly meeting.

20 Month The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of Abraham Anthony and Latitia Smith reports that he with the other friend attended the marriage - and that it was in some good degree orderly.

21 Month The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting report, that they have attended, and produced an Epistle from said meeting, together with a copy of a minute (which were read in this meeting, together with satisfaction, and the weighty advice in said Epistle friends are desired to attend particularly that to Parents and Children Respecting marriage.

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The Quarterly meeting directs in a copy of said minute to appoint some suitable friends to assist the Quarterly meetings Committee in visiting those who have held Slaves, as well as those that have been so held: We defer appointing them to next monthly meeting that the matter may be further considered.

The Friends appointed to treat with John Potter on account of his misconduct particularly in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c. Report, that they have had a further opportunity with him, and weightily considering said matter, do refer it to next monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before and then they to make Report.

John Williams request a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Rhode Island for himself and Children; Therefore this meeting appoints Benjamin Tabor and Seth Russell to take the necessary care in that respect, and to advise the women friends therein, and report their doings in said matter to next monthly meeting.

Stephen Barker Request a removal Certificate to the monthly meeting at Sandwich he being about to move there to dwell if friends concur therein. Therefore this meeting appoints William Wood Stephen Buffinton and Barnaby Mosher to draw a Certificate for him if on enquiry they find things clear and make report next monthly meeting.

Our Friend Robert Nesbit attended this meeting with his Certificate dated East Hoosuck y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1782, and his Visit and Labours of Love of the Gospel were satisfactory to us and a few Lines Endorsed on his Certificate Signifying the same.

Our Friend David Anthony attended this meeting also in company with our afore said friend, with a few lines from the said meeting of East Hoosuck, which was read, and his Visit was to satisfaction, and an Endorsement made Signifying the same.

This Meeting Adjourns to the 29<sup>th</sup> of this Instant at the close of meeting for Worship.

Met By Adjournment the 29<sup>th</sup> of y<sup>e</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> month 1783.

The Overseers inform that Abraham Gifford hath kept company and married with one out of the Unity of Friends and that they have treated with him on that account but he did not give them any real satisfaction; therefore, we appoint Thomas Tuck and Chilon Wood to labour with said Abraham and if he doth not give them satisfaction, they are to draw a Testimony of Denial against him and bring to next monthly meeting; or severally when ready.

Whereas, upon the report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the cleanness of George Smith's Respecting marriage it appears things were not clear; and since which this meeting is informed he hath proceeded in marriage out of the Order of Friends; therefore this meeting appoints Stephen Gifford and Nicholas Lapham to Inquire into the State of the matter, and labour with him as they may see fit; and if they do not find satisfaction to draw a Testimony of Denial against him; and they to make report as soon as the nature of the case will admit.



10 month 1781

Certificate for Gideon Anthony

The Case Ben Allen

W. Larkin

Chapell

Account from Isaac Russell

Conferring a notice

To settle

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The Overseers inform that Caleb Gifford hath kept company with a woman not of our Society, and married out of the Unity of Friends, after being precautioned by said Overseers: therefore this meeting disowne the said Caleb Gifford as a member among us, and from under our care as a member of our meeting and William Barker is desired to inform him thereof and report to next monthly meeting

Gideon Anthony Informs this meeting that he proposes going to East Hoosuck and Saratoga and expect to larry some time there on a visit among his relations, with a prospect of doing some business there, which this meeting concurs with, he being a member and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

This meeting Received Seventeen Copies of an address from the Meeting for Sufferings on the Subject of the Yearly meeting which one of which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and the others are delivered to friends who have the care of this meetings, both to be distributed among friends as they may find proper

The Overseers of the Poor have rendered an account of agreement with Isaac Russell for keeping Alice Smith one of the poor of the meeting for one year the amount being fifty Silver dollars, is directed by the meeting to be paid to the said Isaac Russell by the Treasurer when ever there is a sufficiency in Stock for that purpose

We appoint Samuel Smith Joseph Tucker Junr and William Anthony Junr to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise this meetings minutes in order for their being plac'd on Record and make Report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17<sup>th</sup> of 2 month 1783 The Representatives are John Devoal & Benj<sup>n</sup> Taber both present

Received a Certificate from Rhode Island, in behalf of John Lawton Son of Isaac Signifying his residence in this monthly meeting and his being a member, and clear of marriage, was read in this meeting to Satisfaction

The Committee to make enquiry if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contra-band Trade, &c. Report, that they have attended somewhat to that matter and made further enquiry therein: yet they are continued therein that Service, and are desired to give more attention thereto, and make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Potter's misconduct, in marrying out of the Unity of Friends, are desired the matter may be continued another month, it is accordingly deferred under their care till next monthly meeting, and Stephen Buffinton is added to them they then to make reports

According to the minute from the Quarterly meeting to appoint some suitable friends to assist their Committee in visiting those who have heretofore held Slaves among us, and those that have been so held we appoint Thomas Hicks and William Mosher for that Service and to make report to this meeting as soon as the Circumstance of the matter will admitt

The friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a removal Certificate for Stephen Barker Report that they have taken

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Taken the necessary care herein and have presented a Certificate to this meeting, directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich Signifying his right of membership and that his outward affairs was settled to Satisfaction as far as appears, which was signed by the Clerk

Ebenezer Baker and Susana Mosher appeared in this meeting and declared their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, and they were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their Answer said Ebenezer having produced a Certificate from the said monthly meeting Signifying he was a member and clear of marriage engagements, and consent of parents in writing. Collected 2-10-1

This meeting Adjourns to the 1<sup>st</sup> hour to morrow Mett by Adjournment the 18<sup>th</sup> of 2<sup>nd</sup> month 1783

The Representatives being call'd are John Devoal & Benj<sup>n</sup> Taber both present

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care respecting a removal Certificate for John Williams, having not fully accomplished that matter, they are therefore continue to have the care of the same and report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting Abraham Gifford's misconduct in keeping company and marrying out of the Unity of Friends Report, that they have taken proper care therein and that it appears he is guilty of the Sin of Fornication, from his unfer having a child soon after marriage: Therefore the same friends are directed to draw a Testimony of denial against him the said Abraham and inform him thereof and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to labour with George Smith on account of his disorderly marriage being called upon, inform that they had not accomplished the same, and it appearing necessary that there be an addition to the Committee, we therefore appoint William Anthony Junr to assist said Committee, who are to Joine the Women friends therein and make report to next monthly meeting

William Barker reports he hath informed Caleb Gifford of his denial as directed last Monthly meeting

It appearing that there are several accounts due from this meeting to a much larger amount than there is money in Stock to discharge the same Therefore our friends Daniel Richetson & Isaac Russell Thomas Mott, Parker Gifford and Jonathan Wilbur are appointed to apply to friends without delay and take in subscriptions for that purpose and return the sum so Collected to the Treasurer and make report of the sum to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the minutes in order for their being recorded, Report as followeth We the subscribers have settled accounts with the Treasurer this 9<sup>th</sup> day of the 2 month 1783 and remains in Stock 4-4-9 Lawful money, and the meetings debts (as by accounts allowed) are 4-5-0 Joseph Tucker Junr & William Anthony Junr

The Committee appointed in the 8 month last to Joine the Women Friends to remove some defects among our truths and others respecting piouness, and other defects, make report as followeth

To the Monthly meeting of Men and Women Friends, held in Dartmouth the 28<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1783

We your Committee of Men and women Friends appointed to take in our endeavor to remove some defects among our truths and others respecting piouness and other defects, do with might open the way have, hereby Confessed



10 month 1781, Certificate for the wife of Ben Allen, W. Sanford, R. Russell, Certificate of another meeting

2 month 1783

Report of visitors

Considered, and consent on that weighty work and service, and in that which is in the bond of peace; way was opened for a general visit of our members and therein we have endeavored to proceed with labor, and have deep waitings and heavy exercises under a sense of the many weaknesses and defects among us as a meeting which hinder the growth and spreading of the pure seed of Life; and we have to remark with sorrow, that it was ev with some few; to the almost forsaking their assembling themselves together and that also a departure in some of the youths and others from that simplicity Truth requires, and which leads to plainness in Conversation &c. if kept to would be as a call and invitation, not only to those among but even to those that are without. There were however, some prospects which were encouraging, and even some also among the youth, with such we were nearly united, greatly desiring their growth and edification, and that none may sit down and be contented in a stately ease and indifferency, in a concern of the utmost importance, but all may rise up more and more in a lively zeal for the cause, and testimony of Truth. We have also to remark, that tho' our service was weighty and labouring yet our visits seemed generally kindly received

And as divers others who were not members often happened in families we visited, such we informed of our freedom to sit with us if they were desirous (as was also the case of divers black people) in which we often felt the gathering storm to be near, and a measure of that compulsive love extended which calls even from the high ways and hedges that his house may be filled

For further encouragement we may say that we had to experience that light still continued among us throughout the visiting, with that Peace and Satisfaction which is the sure Reward of Obedience Tho' we had many provings and Trials, under an experience and sense of our own weakness, and inability to perform any thing to the Honour of the great Master, or Satisfaction to ourselves, Without his immediate assistance

- Abiel Gifford
- James Davis
- Caleb Greene
- Martha Gifford
- Susanna Smith
- Joanna Gifford
- Martha Chase

The above Report was read accepted: and read in this Meeting to Satisfaction

The increasing concern of this meeting on account of the disagreeableness of having Publications set up at our Meetinghouse which some times disturbs our meeting; reviving on our minds: We appointed Thomas Hicks, William Anthony, and Stephen Buffinton, to apply to those who have and do set up those things, so contrary to the leaders examples of us therein, and inform them of the mind of this meeting on that account, and Report to next monthly meeting

This Meeting is Informed, from the Select meeting Ministers and Elders that there is a want of an addition of Egress, and Caleb Greene being nominated for that service: and this Meeting nominates a Committee to Joine the women friends, who have nominated Mercy Locum, to that Service Committees names are Joseph Barker, Benjamin Taber Benjamin Smith, and Caleb Russell, they to Joine the Elders in that matter and they to report to next monthly meeting

Our friend Isaac Kiley attended this meeting with a Certificate from a monthly meeting at East Hoosuck held the 12 month 1782 setting forth their Unity with his accompanying Robert Nesbit on a Religious visit in those parts, whose visit and labour of love being satisfactory to us, we having endorsed thereon setting forth the same

Testimony of denial of sin at our meeting, Concerning appointing Elders, Some Kiley's visit

Month 1783

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 3 month 1783 The Representatives were Joseph Tucker Mrs Wm Gifford both present

The Committee to make inquiry into if there are any of our members acting or concerned in any contraband Trade &c. Report they have attended to and made further inquiry into that matter - yet it appearing necessary that friends have diligent attention to it, there the said Committee are continued in that service, and to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Batters misconduct in marrying out of the Unity of Friends &c. Report that they have had an opportunity with him which was some what satisfactory; yet they are continued in that service and further care of that matter, and to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Abraham Gifford, done and in form thereof, produce one, as follows

Whereas Abraham Gifford having had his Education and Birthright among friends, but he through unwearfulness and disregarding the Testimony of truth in his own heart had so far departed therefrom as to keep Company with a young woman not a member of our Religious Society and thereby fell into the Sin of Fornication, and so married out of Whiteness which sin plainly appears by her having a Child so soon after marriage and friends having laboured with him on them accounts but our Labour not having the desired Effect to friends Satisfaction: therefore for the Clearing of Truth and friends from such practices we are contented to give this forth as a publick Testimony against the said Abraham disowning him from being a member of our Society

Given forth at our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 17th of 3 mo 1783 and signed by order and in behalf said meeting By Wm Anthony Clerk who is directed also to read the same publicly at the close of a first day's meeting, or worship between this and next monthly meeting and report thereon

The friends appointed to apply to those that set up publications at our meeting houses, report that they have applied to most of them, who appeared somewhat condescending to friends request in desisting from that practice; yet the same Friends are continued to have the Standing oversight of that matter

The Committee appointed some time past to consider the expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting, make the following report together with the minutes of said Committee, which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction: and the appointing a Committee to succeed those meeting to Satisfaction: and the appointing a Committee to succeed those meeting to inspect further into these matters is referred to next monthly meeting

Benjamin Giddley informs that he proposes to go to East Hoosuck and Saratoga to make some tarry there to do some hand labour, this meeting concurring therewith he having a right of membership, the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this minute

Ebenezer Baker and Susanna Nisher appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage between this and next monthly meeting, they advising with the Friends this meeting shall appoint, who are Jonathan Hart Benjamin Bider to see said marriage orderly solemnized and friends to make report thereof to next monthly meeting

Chalon Wood Informed that he hath an Intention of going to East Hoosuck and Saratoga to make some stay, desiring our concurrence: therefore and Certificate, therefor this meeting appoints William Barker & Stephen Buffinton

Benjamin Gifford, Joseph Barker, Stephen Buffinton, Ebenezer Baker, Chalon Wood, Certificate

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Certificate of the members of the Yearly Meeting

The Case of Ben Allen

W. Sanford

Ch. Russell

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To make due Inspection into the matter, and draw a Certificate if find things clear and bring it to the adjournment of this meeting

This meeting is adjourned to the 26<sup>th</sup> Instant at the close of meeting for West

The Clerk being absent by reason of sickness Cabel Greene is appointed Clerk for this time

The matter in respect to John Williams Certificate not being fully accomplished by the Committee it is continued under their care for the same service, and they to make report next monthly meeting

The matter in respect to George Smith 2<sup>d</sup> not being fully accomplished the Committee Requesting it further continued, it is likewise continued to next monthly meeting, under the same care as before and then they to make report

The Committee appointed to Join the Elders in regard to making an addition choice of Elders make report, that they have had several conferences on the subject and that it was their united opinion that the said choice be deferred some time longer therefore it is continued on their care, who are desired to attend to that important matter, and to make report to our monthly meeting, next proceeding our Quarterly meeting in the Seventh month next

The friends appointed in the case of Gillion Woods Certificate have presented a draft, which hath been read, approved and signed by the Clerk

The women friends inform that they have received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Rhode Island, for Susanna Barker wife of John Barker, which this meeting concurs with

The Women friends requesting our assistance in respect to answering a request to them from the women's monthly meeting of Rhode Island concerning Alice Wood, therefore this meeting appoints William Barker Joseph Barker and Cabel Russell to Join the women therein and they to report to our next monthly meeting

The Queries have been read and answers thereto read and after some amendments were approved also an Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was approved and signed by the Clerk and sent up to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are Samuel Smith Cabel Green James Davis and Abiel Gifford, and they to make report to our next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to Collect money by Subscriptions report that they have collected the sum of Nine pounds four Shillings 2<sup>d</sup> and delivered the same to the Treasurer of this meeting

At a monthly meeting held in Dartmouth, 27<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783

The Representatives are Thomas Hott and William Gifford both present

The Clerk reports that the Testimony of Denial against Abraham Gifford hath been read as directed last monthly meeting

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of Ebenezer Bader and Susanna Mosher Report that they attended said marriage and that they did not discover but that it was orderly Solemnized

The friends appointed to have the care of that matter respecting John Pattons misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends &c. Report that they have had another opportunity with him in which he gave them some Satisfaction, yet they are continued in that service for a further opportunity with him and to make report to next monthly meeting

The appointing a Committee to succeed the former which reported last monthly meeting to inspect into the Expediency of dividing our Preparative meeting is referred to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to have the care respecting John Williams Certificate, report that they have not accomplished the matter; they are therefore continued to have the care of it; and if they find things clear to accomplish the same and report to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith 2<sup>d</sup> Report that they have taken some care therein but request the matter continued; it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to assist the Women friend, in answering a request from Rhode Island monthly meeting concerning Alice Wood Report they have attended to that matter, but have not accomplished it they are therefore continued in that service to report when Ready

The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they attended except Abiel Gifford, who rendered a sufficient Reason for his not attending; also they produced an Epistle from said meeting which was read to Satisfaction

The friends appointed to Join the Quarterly meeting Committee for visiting those who have held Slaves; and those who have been so held, made report in writing, as follows: We the Committee appointed in the case of Slaves, have to report, that we joined the Quarterly meetings Committee, and have visited those who have held Slaves and those who have been held in said States; and have Endeavoured in Love and tenderness to Impress their minds with a sense of Religious duty, and laboured for a proper, suitable Adjustment of this matter The 2<sup>d</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> month 1783

Said Report is accepted & said friends are dismissed

The Overseer inform, that Weason Smith, (after being precautioned) hath sailed in an Armed Vessel or Letter of Marque, which took a Vessel by force of Arms; and has since been laboured with on that account; but did not seem in any disposition to give Friends Satisfaction and has now gone to sea; therefore this meeting appoints Benjamin Taber and Cabel Greene to draw a Testimony of his denial and report at next monthly meeting

The Women friends inform that they have received a Certificate from Accountset, in behalf of Freelove Gifford wife of William Gifford which this meeting concurs with

In concurrence with the Women friends a removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Lotitia Anthony wife of Abraham Anthony directed to Rhode Island and monthly meeting



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Certificate for the wife of John

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The overseers inform that Barker Little hath removed in the compass of a set monthly meeting, without Certificate or advise of Friends; and also that Henry Howland son of Henry hath removed in the compass of the same monthly meeting, without Certificates - and that both of them use profane and corrupt Language at times, and much neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings: Which said Overseers laboured without them for but they did not give them Satisfaction: We therefore appoint Jonathan Hart, John Devaul and Thomas Mott to take a full opportunity and labour further with said Barker and Henry on their accounts, and if they or either of them do not give them Satisfaction to bring a Testimony or Testimonies of their denial, and inform them thereof & Report to next monthly meeting

The Overseers inform that David Grace have countenanced and loved the conjugating a marriage in his house, contrary to the order of Friends and that they treated with him and he justifies the same therefore we appoint William Anthony Junr, William Wood and William Mather, to labour with him further on that account, and report to next monthly meeting

Seth Russell informs he intends a Journey to New Jersey on business and his friends in our town with, and this meeting concurring he being a member in Unity, the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

Collected 2s - 2 - 6  
This meeting adjourns to the 30th of this instant at the close of meeting, worship  
Met by adjournment the 30th of 4th month 1783

The Representatives being called are Thomas Mott & Caleb Barker present  
The meeting for sufferings having recommended a renewed engagement to Friends to be in the way of their duty, in subscribing for the establishing the yearly meeting, Schools and in order therefore that the monthly meetings should appoint Committees to take in subscriptions the meeting for sufferings having furnished us with printed blanks for subscriptions for them accordingly - Therefore we appoint Joseph Tucker, Thomas Mott and Caleb Greene for that purpose, who are to make Return to the Treasurer of the yearly meeting, School when they have accomplished receiving subscriptions, and also make report to this meeting of the sum total is subscribed

Benjamin Gifford Junr. hath given in a paper to this meeting reporting some times at places unbecoming those under our profession And several of the overseers who inform, that they have treated with Benjamin Frexon, who gave them a good degree of Satisfaction, and this meeting taking the same into consideration both accept of the same for Satisfaction

The Women friends inform that they have received a Letter from the monthly meeting of Obolony, signifying they had taken the necessary care respecting Lydia Devaul, formerly Lydia Bowditch and had denied her, which this meeting concurs with

A few Lines was Endorsed on John Lawton (son of Isaac) Certificate from Rhode Island; and signed by the Clerk signifying his attending our meeting with his Certificate, and of his conduct being exemplary in some degree Orderly while among us he having returned to Rhode Island

Month 1783

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 19th of 5th month 1783

The Representatives are Jonathan Willcox and Prine Potter both present  
The Friends appointed to have the care of the matter respecting John Potters misconduct in manuring out of the Unity of Friends &c report that they have attended to it, and that John gave them a degree of Satisfaction: But that there is some obstruction to the accomplishing the matter, and in order that it may be removed desires it may be deferred, it is accordingly deferred under their care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

The appointing a Committee to succeed the former in the inspection of the expediency of dividing our preparative meetings &c coming again consideration is thought best to be omitted for the present

The friends appointed to have the care respecting John Williams Removal Certificate, Report that they have not accomplished it by reason of some Obstruction, which they are desired to endeavour to have removed, that the matter be accomplished and report made to next monthly meeting

The Women friends Inform that they have admitted beshaba Wood Wife of Chilion Wood into membership which this meeting concurs with  
The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith's report that they have not accomplished that matter and therefore desires it continued it is accordingly deferred under their care, who are to report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to draw a Testimony of Weston Smith's denial; produced one, as Follows

Whereas Weston Smith son of Levi Smith deceased hath had his education among us the people called Quakers but hath so far departed therefrom and Renowned Principle which we profess, as to sail a Voyage in an Armed Vessel, or Letter of Marque which took a Vessel by force of Arms; previous to going said Voyage he was pre cautioned by Friends and hath since been assured with on that account, but did not seem disposed to give friends Satisfaction: Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends from such unwarrantable conduct, we are concerned to give forth this as a publick Testimony against the same, hereby disavowing the said Weston Smith from having a right of membership among us the people afore said, until it shall please God to favor him with a sight and sense of his Error, that he may return with Repentance unfeigned, which that he may is our desire  
Given forth and Signed in and on behalf of the Monthly meeting of the people afore said held in Dartmouth 19th of 5th month 1783  
By Wm Anthony Junr Clerk

Which was signed in this meeting by the Clerk who is desired to cause the same to be read publicly at the close of a first meeting for worship between this and next monthly meeting, and make report to the same and Caleb Greene is desired to inform Weston thereof when he returns and make report to this meeting

The Committee to Treat further with Barker Little and Henry Howland (son of Henry) on account of their removal without Certificate, and other misconduct report that they have not had an opportunity with Barker, but they had with Henry, who did not give them Satisfaction and they have draughted a Testimony of his denial and informed him thereof the Testimony is as Follows



5 Month 1783  
 Whereas Henry Howland Jun<sup>r</sup> Having had his education among Friends, but by unwatchfulness and disregarding the Principles of Truth in his own heart hath removed out of the Compass of our meeting without requesting our Certificate; also uses corrupt Language and much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings, all which misconduct Friends have laboured with him for, in order to convince him of his Errors, but our Labour of love not having the desired effect to our Satisfaction: Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a Publick Testimony against him the said Henry Howland, disowning him from being a member of our Society. Nevertheless it is our desire that he may have a Sight and Sense of his outgoings and return to the ways of Truth

Given forth and signed by order and in behalf of our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 19<sup>th</sup> day of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1783 By W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Clerk  
 Which was signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read at the close of a first day meeting between this and next monthly meeting and make report to the same and the Committee are continued to have the necessary care of that of Barker Little and report to monthly meeting

Benjamin Gifford and Rhoda Potter declared their Intentions of leading each other in marriage and were deferred to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer - and William Wood and William Mosher are appointed to make Enquiry into the mans Clearness respecting marriage and conversation and report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to Labour further with David Chase on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends, report that they have had an opportunity with him, but he did not give them satisfaction, yet the matter is deferred till next monthly meeting for further consideration under the same of the same friends they then to make report

This meeting is informed that Gideon Sanford has gone to the Nine spartners to make some stay with a Friend there, and requests a few lines from this meeting signifying his right of membership; and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this minute  
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6 Month 1783  
 At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 16<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1783 The Representatives are Peleg Gifford Jonathan Willbor and Abel Gifford, Present - And Caleb Russell not present as he attends the yearly meeting

The Clerk not attending this meeting at this time, being gone to the yearly meeting, Caleb Greene is therefore appointed Clerk for this time

Chelon Wood requesting (in writing) a removal Certificate for himself and Children, to Saratoga monthly meeting, as he is now gone, and about to remove his family and settle there, We therefore appoint our friends Abraham Howland and Jonathan Willbor to lay the Women friends and take the necessary and timely care of that matter, and if they find things clear to draw a Certificate and bring to the adjournment of this meeting

The minutes of last monthly meeting not present this meeting adjourns to the 23<sup>rd</sup> instant, at the age of a meeting for Weishep on said day

The 23<sup>rd</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month Mett by adjournment, The Representatives Being called, Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, Abel Gifford and Caleb Russell, all present

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The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of the denials of Weston Smith and Henry Howland (son of Henry) have been read as directed last monthly meeting

One of the Committee appointed to have the care respecting John Williams Certificate report that it is not yet accomplished and desire there may be another friend appointed to assist him therein as the other is absent therefore Joseph Gifford is appointed to assist there in, and they to accomplish that matter and report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to inspect into the Clearness of Benjamin Giffords clearness respecting marriage and conversation report that they find nothing to hinder his proceeding

Benjamin Gifford Jun<sup>r</sup> and Rhoda Potter appeared in this meeting for their Answer which is they may proceed to take each other in marriage, at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting appoints to see the maning orderly solemnized who are William Mosher and William Wood and they to make report to next monthly meeting

A Committee from the Yearly meeting attended this meeting at this time, and among other advices advised that this meeting appoint a Solid Committee to confer with the yearly meetings Committee on the Subject of annexing this meeting to Sadsburgh Quarter which is referred to next monthly meeting Collected Ls - 16 - 2

This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> instant at the close of the meeting of Weishep 25<sup>th</sup> of 6<sup>th</sup> month Mett by adjournment - The Representatives are Peleg Gifford, Jonathan Willbor, Caleb Russell and Abel Gifford all present

The friends who had the care of the matter respecting John Potter, misconduct in marrying out of the unity of Friends report that it is not accomplished and desire the matter be referred another month; it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same before next monthly meeting and make report to the same

One of the Committee (the other not being present nor reasons sent for his absence) appointed to have the care of the respecting George Smith the second Report it is not accomplished therefore it is deferred till next monthly meeting under the same Friends care they then to make report

The friends appointed to have the care, and treat with Barker Little on account of removing with a Certificate and other misconduct, report that they had an opportunity with him, tho' not fully to satisfaction, as desired they are therefore continued to have the care of that matter, and make report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to labour further with David Chase on account of his allowing the accomplishing a marriage in his house out of the order of Friends, report that they have had another opportunity with him, but that he did not give them satisfaction so fully as desired yet the matter is deferred till next monthly meeting, they then to make report

The Women friends inform they have denied Phoebe Bowdish daughter of William Bowdish which this meeting concurs with

The Women friends inform they have admitted into membership Mary Wood with Abraham Wood which this meeting concurs with  
 The overseers inform that Sarah Smith son of Goshem hath sometimes resorted to places where undue liberty is taken, such as gaming, Musick and Dancing, and joining therewith, and using profane and indecent language, also keeps company with a young woman not of our Society, and much Neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings

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The Women friends inform they have Received a Certificate from Nantucket in behalf Eunice Marshall, who lives in the company of this meeting which Certificate was read in this meeting to satisfaction  
Sarah Weaver  
The women Friends Inform that they with the concurrence of this meeting con- Received to admit Sarah Weaver into membership which we concur with  
to give this meeting concludes to give David Smith a copy of the Testimony of Denial and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy thereof and report to the adjournment of this meeting  
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This meeting adjourns to the first 4<sup>th</sup> day in next month at the close of the meeting for Worship  
Met by adjournment 5<sup>th</sup> of the 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives being called are Joseph Austin William Wood and Timothy Howland all present  
The Friends appointed to have the care of a Removal Certificate for Child Wood and his wife Baryheba, and their Children, who are Charles and Ruth to the monthly meeting at Saratoga, have produced one, setting forth their being members, and in a degree of orderly lives and Conversations, which after some amendment was signed by the Clerk  
The friends appointed to treat further with Isaac Smith, son of Goshen, that they have discharged themselves in that matter, according to appointment but Isaac gave them no satisfaction, therefore we with the concurrence of the Womens meeting do disown the said Isaac Smith from having any right of membership among us; and the same friends are desired to draw a Testimony of his denial, and inform him thereof, and report to next monthly meeting  
The Friends appointed to prepare a draught of a request to the monthly meetings of Saratoga respecting Abraham Woods request, produced one, which after some amendment, was signed by the Clerk who is desired to forward the same  
A Removal Certificate in behalf of John Williams, and his Children, Obediah, Jonathan, and Nicholas Signifying their being members, and that Johns outward affairs was settled to general satisfaction directed to Rhoads Johnson monthly meeting was signed by the Clerk  
The Clerk informs he hath given David Smith a copy of the Testimony of his denial as directed  
It appearing necessary at this meeting that all the former Epistles and Transcripts of Epistles be collected, and they as well as those which may come in future be preserved on file. We therefore appoint Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Willbro, Elijah Gifford and Samuel Smith to take the necessary care of them; and also of all the papers respecting Schools, and where to be received, and make report when ready  
The Friends appointed to present an answer to the Town, respecting our request of publishing publications being set up at our meeting houses, report they all attended and presented the same in consequence of which the Town Voted that all publications should be hereafter set up elsewhere  
The care of some negligent members who have and do much neglect the attendance of our Religious meetings, as well as other defects in them and abuses being renewedly noticed by the meeting, with desire for their Reformation and better attention to these important matters and to clear our selves toward them as a meeting; therefore we do appoint our friends, Abiel Gifford, Thomas Hicks, & James Davis, to Joine the Women and Visit all such, and others, as they may find to reclaim such from such unwarrantable practices, and report when ready  
Endorsment on the Certificate of Obediah Allen, and his wife Phoebe were signed by the Clerk, setting forth their conduct, while their last abode here, and directed to the monthly meeting of Saratoga

10 month 1783  
Smith  
Barker Little  
John Potter  
Isaac Smith  
Testimony of Denial

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives being called are John Deaul, Caleb Greene & Caleb Barker all present  
The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith report that they have had some further care therein but have not accomplished the same, and request it depend it is deferred accordingly till next monthly meeting they then to make report  
The Friends appointed to treat further with Barker Little respecting his removing without a Certificate and other misconduct report that they have attended somewhat to that matter, but have received no satisfaction from Barker, yet the matter is deferred for their accomplishing as by former minutes and to make report to next monthly meeting  
The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of denial of John Potter and Inform him thereof Produced a draught as follows  
Whereas John Potter son of John Potter late of Dartmouth deceased and Margaret his wife, Having had a right of membership among Friends, but by departing from the simplicity of truth, and the dictates thereof in his own mind, have fallen into several disorders, particularly, whilst he was under Guardianship he absented himself from his Guardian, and fell into loose company, and kept company with a young woman not of our Society, and fell into the sin of fornication, and contracted marriage with the said young woman, who had a child soon after said marriage And friends having laboured with him therefor, but not receiving satisfaction; Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from the Imputation of such reproachful conduct this meeting is concurred to give this forth as a publick Testimony against the same, here by disowning him the said John Potter from being a member of our Religious Society until by unfeigned repentance he shall be restored to the way of Truth given forth, and signed in and behalf our monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 18<sup>th</sup> day of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1783  
William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk  
Mercy Sacum Clerk for the day  
which was read and with the concurrence of the womens meeting was signed by the Clerk who is directed to cause the same to be read publicly at the close of a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting and report to the same The same friends report that they informed John of his denial  
The Friends appointed to draw a Testimony of the denial of Isaac Smith (son of Goshen) and inform him thereof report that they have accomplished the same, said Testimony is as follows  
From our Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 18<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>rd</sup> month 1783  
Whereas Isaac Smith (son of Goshen) Having had his Education among Friends, but through unwatchfulness, hath so far departed from the Truth, and good order of Friends, as to Report to a place where was Singing and Dancing, and Joined himself therein, and using profane and unbecoming Language, and neglects the attendance of our meetings; and also keeps company with a young woman not of our Society; all which his conduct he hath been a member of our Society; all which his conduct he hath been laboured with for, and it not having the desired effect; therefore Friends for the clearing of Truth, do give this forth as a publick Testimony against such conduct, and disown him from being a member any longer of our Society, Never the less it is our desire that he may be favoured to come to a right and sense of his outgoings, and return to the way of Truth signed in and on behalf  
William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk  
Mercy Sacum Clerk for the day



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Which with the concurrence of the womens meeting was signed in each meet by the Clerks, and the Clerk is desired to carry the same to be read publickly at the close of a meeting for worship before next monthly meeting, and report be made to the same

David Chape

The Friends appoint to labour further with David Chape on account of his allowing the accomplishment of a marriage in his house out of the order of peace and on account of neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings Report that they have pursued further with him therefore but he gave them no satisfaction, the clearing of Truth, and Friends from such disorderly conduct We with the Concurrence of the womens meeting, do disown the said David Chape from having any Right of membership among us; and John Devaul is desired to informe him thereof and report to next monthly meeting

Complaint against

The Overseers inform that Gilbert Russell is in the practice of keeping company with young woman not a member of our Society also appears in apparel far from that simple plainness that becomes our profession for which they have laboured with him but have not received any satisfaction, therefore we appoint William Anthony's Joseph Tucker Sumner, and Joseph Austin to labour further with him on account of his misconduct, and report to next monthly meeting

Report of School Committee

We of the Committee appointed to advise and assist in the Erecting free Schools, and in the maintenance of the Rules established by friends for the virtuous Education of the youth in such Schools, have now to report that we have attended in some measure to that service; But as these things are but new among us our progress herein hath been but small, Friends not all being fully acquainted, in every respect of the method proposed for the Erecting such Schools, and some that are acquainted therewith do not submit themselves thereto divers Schools having been set up without our advice or consent, and several School Teachers have been Employed by Friends, who are not members of our Society; Yet notwithstanding these pains & instructions we hope and believe our friends dwell under a sense of the weight of this Excellent work it will gradually go on from step to step as Truth shall lead the way, and by degrees open our eyes to see more clearly the many advantages arising from a Reformation in this Important branch of our Discipline We would therefore return this our Report to the monthly meeting, desiring to be dismissed from our appointments, that a new appointment may be made; all which is submitted to your Consideration Caleb Russell Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1783

For further consideration

Which is refered to next month meeting Jonathan Wilbur W<sup>m</sup> Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>

William Russell

William Russell (son of Abraham dec'd) and Hezabah Mosher, declare their Intentions of taking each other in marriage, he having consent in writing of his Parent, and they are desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer, and Benjamin Chape and William Gifford are appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the young mans cleareness in respect to marriage and his conversation; and report to next monthly meeting

The Committee to receive

Subscriptions for the yearly meetings School report that they have procured the Subscription of 13-13<sup>o</sup> yet they procure continued in that service and to report when Ready Collected 5-16-2

This meeting thinks it proper

to preserve the feed round our meeting house within the yards, against our next Quarterly meeting, therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Barker Pely Gifford and Jonathan Wilbur to use their endeavours to procure said feed for that purpose; also to Procure Hay if needed for said Quarterly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> of the 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783

The Representatives are Elijah Gifford John Devaul & Ben<sup>g</sup> Taber all present

Received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Swansey in behalf of Ebenezer Chape, signifying he was a member of that meeting, and that he had settled his outward affairs to satisfaction; and Abial Gifford, Benjamin Chape, and William Gifford are appointed to visit said Ebenezer, and inspect into his circumstances, and report when ready

Gideon Anthony returned a copy of a minute of this meeting in his first month last, with an Endorsement thereon from East Hospital signifying he appeared in a good degree of an orderly life and conversation and a diligent attendee of meetings while there

Answers to the Queries were prepared and read in this meeting and some sensible remarks made thereon

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter respecting George Smith and wife report that they have had several opportunities of solid conferences with them, and received some degree of satisfaction yet the matter is desired under the same friend care for further proof of their sincerity and they report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimonies of Denials of John Potter and Isaac Smith son of Geshem have been read as directed last month meeting

John Devaul informs that he hath informed David Chape of his denial as directed last monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat further with Gilbert Russell on account of his keeping company with a young woman not a member of our Society and other misconduct Report that they have taken an opportunity of solid conference with him; and he did not object against any thing alleged against him by our minutes; nor shew any disposition to retract therefrom Therefore for the clearing of Truth and Friends from such disorderly conduct, we with the concurrence of the womens meeting do disown the said Gilbert Russell from having any right of Membership among us and Joseph Gifford is appointed to inform him thereof, and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to make the necessary enquiry into the Cleareness of William Russell (son of Abraham) respecting marriage and conversation Report that they had taken the necessary care and that they find nothing sufficient to hinder his proceeding in marriage

William Russell and Hezabah Mosher appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the Friend this meeting shall appoint to see said marriage solemnized Who are Benjamin Chape and William Gifford, and they to report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to treat further with Barker Little respecting his misconduct, report that they have discharged themselves in that matter, and have provided draught of a Testimony of his denial as follows

Whereas Barker Little having had his Education among the Friends, but through unwatchfulness and disregard of the Principles of Truth in his own heart have much neglected the attendance of our Religious meetings, also uses profane language at times, and hath removed out of the Vege of this meeting without a Certificate or advice of Friends and Friends having laboured with him

The said

10 month 1781  
Constitution of the Society  
The Case of Ben<sup>g</sup> Taber  
W<sup>m</sup> Russell  
Complaint against  
Report of School Committee  
Conforming a notice  
Testimony of  
and  
of  
Barker Little  
Testimony of  
denial



9 month  
1783  
The said Barker in order to convince him of his outgoings. But our Labours of Love not having the desired effect to Satisfaction. Therefore we are concerned to give this forth as a publick Testimony against him the said Barker Little, disowning him from being members of meeting. Nevertheless, it is our sincere desire that he may have a hearty and sense of his outgoings, and with unfeigned Repentance turn to the way of Truth given forth and signed and Order of said meeting 15 of 9<sup>th</sup> mo 1783. W<sup>m</sup> Anthony <sup>is</sup> Clerk  
Susanna South Co

which with the concurrence of the Women was signed in each meeting by the Clerks and the Clerk of this meeting is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual, the same friends informed Barker of his denial.

Ruth South A Removal Certificate for Ruth South, and her daughter Susanna Mary daughter Thankful, directed to the monthly meeting of Seacoast Signifying their right Certificate of membership was signed by the Clerk

Ephraim Ephraim Mosher and Joanna Mosher declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, and were desired to wait till next monthly meeting for their answer; he having produced a Certificate from Ninepartners Signifying his cleanness respecting marriage.

Adam Mott Adam Mott desires the advice of Friends respecting selling his Interest and removing his family; therefore we appoint William Gifford, Benjamin Chase and France Potter to take the necessary care in that matter and they to report to next monthly meeting

Joanna Mosher Joanna Mosher widow being about to marry we appoint William Anthony and Thomas Russell to inspect into the circumstances of her children that their rights by former marriages be not neglected; and report to next monthly meeting

Collected 7 - 8 - 9  
This meeting is adjourned to the 24<sup>th</sup> Instant after the meeting of worship by adjournment of 24 of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Representatives all present

The appointing a School Committee coming again under consideration and is referred to next monthly meeting, by reason this meeting is so small

The Women Friends inform that they have taken Jane Mosher and her daughter under dealing, for their misconduct, by written report of the men and women Overseers, and complaint of others; this meeting doth therefore appoint Jonathan Wildbur, John Devaul, and Joseph Austin to some the women friend in inspecting that matter, and Labour with the offenders; and if they do not find Satisfaction from them or either of them to draw a Testimony of their denial accordingly, and inform thereof, and bring said Testimony to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed to inspect into the matter of choosing an addition of Elders, have reported their approbation of Caleb Greene and Mercy Scum for that service; Therefore this meeting doth approve of them, and do appoint Caleb Green and Mercy Scum to the place of Elders accordingly, having the unity and concurrence of the women meeting therein

We appoint our friends Caleb Russel, Jonathan Wildbur, Abel Little to Quarterly Gifford, Caleb Green, and Benjamin Smith to attend our next Quarterly meeting, as Representatives, and present the answers to the Queries, and also the Epistle, which was signed in this meeting and report next monthly meeting

The Overseers Inform that Benjamin Gifford Sen and Rhoda his Wife are guilty of the sin of Fornication, as by their own Confession

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Said Overseers hath Laboured with them therefor, received no Satisfaction; and said Benjamin and wife hath absented themselves and cannot reasonably be spoke with, the concurrence of the womens meeting we disown them the said Benjamin and Rhoda from membership among us, and Samuel Smith is appointed to draw a Testimony of their denial and bring to next monthly meeting, and inform them thereof in writing when way is open

William Anthony Sen Clerk of this meeting informs that he intends a Journey to Hogsuck and Antiochs Visit his relations in the part as also to attend the Quarterly meetings at Oblong and Ninepartners and this meeting concurring with the same, he being a member of this meeting & Thomas Little to give him a copy of this minute and sign the same in behalf of this meeting

It having been recommended by the yearly meeting that £150 be raised for the yearly meeting Rock: Therefore we appoint our friend Pideon Howland, John Devaul, Joseph Austin, and Elijah Gifford to receive in subscriptions made in freedom for that purpose, and they to make report as soon as they have discharged themselves there in

The Women friends inform that Joanna Mosher request a removal Certificate to Ninepartners, and desires the assistance of men friends therein, therefore we appoint William Anthony Sen to join the Women, and take the necessary care there in and report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 20<sup>th</sup> of 9<sup>th</sup> month 1783  
The Representatives being called, are Joseph Barker Benjamin Rider and Barnabus Russell, all present

Pideon Sanford returned the copy of a minute of this meeting in 5<sup>th</sup> month last, with an Endorsement from Clerk meeting Signifying he attended their monthly meeting to Satisfaction

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter respecting George Smith and wife, report that they have made some progress therein but desires it may be deferred another month, it is accordingly deferred under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report

The friends appointed to inspect into the Circumstances of the Rights of Joanna Mosher's children, by former marriage, report that they have taken the necessary care therein and find thing settled to mutual Satisfaction

Joseph Gifford informs that he hath informed Gilbert Russell of his denial as directed last monthly meeting  
The Friends appointed to see William Russell, and Hezekiah Mosher's Marriage orderly Solemnized, Report that they attended thereto and did not find but that it was orderly Solemnized

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the denial of Barker Little hath been read as directed

The friend appointed to have the care of the matter respecting Adam Mott's request East therein, and gave such advice as they thought best, yet they are continued in that Service of advice and care as they shall find necessary and report when Ready



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George Smith  
William Gifford  
Benjamin Tucker  
Joseph Barker  
Benjamin Rider  
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Rhoda  
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Delilah  
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John  
Coppin  
Benjamin

10 month 1783 The Friends appointed to Join the Women friends, in inspecting the case of Jane Mosher and her daughter Delilah Report that they have not accomplished the same and desire it deferred till next monthly meeting under the same friends care and attention  
The School Committee made Report in writing in the 8th month last and is Recorded in page 496 which is accepted and they desired for that Service: And we now appoint Samuel Smith, Jonathan Will, William Gifford, Caleb Green, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Howland and Thomas Mott's a School Committee for the year ensuing who are to proceed in that appointment agreeable to the direction of the yearly meeting  
A Removal Certificate directed to the monthly meeting of Sandwich in consequence with the women's meeting were signed by the Clerk  
Ephraim Mosher and Joanna Mosher appeared in this meeting for their Answer: Which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage at some convenient time, between this and next monthly meeting, advising with the friends this meeting shall appoint to see the marriage orderly solemnized who are John Devout a Abiel Gifford, and they are to make report to next monthly meeting  
A few lines was endorsed on the copy of a minute Obediah Gifford produced from the Clerk monthly meeting signifying he attended this meeting to satisfaction  
This meeting is adjourned to the 23rd instant at the usual time of day  
The Clerk not being present having gone his intended Journey therefore Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time  
The Representatives to the Quarterly meeting, report that they attended that meeting, and produced an Epistle from the same, which was read in this meeting to satisfaction, and they desired to make some alteration in the Womens apartment, in order to accommodate it for holding the Quarterly meeting is referred to next monthly meeting  
A Testimony of Denial of Benjamin Gifford and wife Rhoda was prepared as follows  
Whereas Benjamin Gifford Junr and Rhoda his wife, having stood as member of our Society, under the care of this meeting, but through inattention to the dictates of Truth, they have fallen into the sin of Fornication as appears by their own Confession and friends having laboured with them on that account in order for their reformation and recovery. But it not having the desired effect, and in fact here of the said Benjamin and Rhoda suddenly moved themselves away to a distant land where they could not conveniently be further treated with on that account: Therefore this meeting being concerned for the clearing of Truth's Testimony herein, do disown them the said Benjamin Gifford and Rhoda his wife from being members of our Society

10 month 1783  
Anna Mosher  
Caleb Greene  
George Smith  
William Gifford  
Benjamin Tucker  
Joseph Barker  
Benjamin Rider  
Barnabai Russell  
Caleb Greene  
Ephraim M  
Delilah  
Joanna M  
John Shepherd  
Coppin  
Benjamin Chase  
Rhoda  
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Joseph  
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Caleb  
Ephraim  
Delilah  
Joanna  
John  
Coppin  
Benjamin

until by a sincere Repentance and amendment of Life they may be restored to the way of Truth  
Given forth, and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meeting of men and women friends held in Dartmouth the 29th day of the 10th month 1783 By Caleb Greene  
which was read and after some alteration was signed by the Clerks of Each Meeting, and Benjamin Chase is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual manner at Newtown and report to next monthly meeting  
The choice and appointment of Overseers for the year ensuing is proposed, as the time agreed on since last appointment is expired yet a new choice is deferred till next monthly meeting for further consideration  
The Women Friends inform that the matter respecting Joanna Mosher's Certificate is deferred till next monthly under the friends care who was appointed therefor  
Piles Russell request the advice friends respecting disposing or selling his outward Estate, therefore we appoint Elijah Gifford, and Nicholas Lapham, and Timothy Gifford to advise him therein as way may open, and report when ready  
At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 17th of 11 month 1783 The Representatives are Joseph Tucker Junr, Joseph Austin, and Seth Huddleston, being called are all present  
The Clerk yet being absent Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time  
The Committee appointed to have the care of the matter respecting George Smith and wife Report, that they have had some check or disagreement of Satisfaction yet desire the matter deferred till next monthly meeting under the same friends care they then to report  
The Committee in the case of Jane Mosher and her daughter Delilah not having accomplished the same, and request it continued, it is therefore continued till next monthly meeting under the care who are to report next monthly meeting  
The Friends to oversee the marriage of Ephraim Mosher and Joanna Mosher report that they attended the same, and saw nothing but that it was orderly solemnized  
The matter respecting alteration of our meeting house for the better accommodation it for the Quarterly meeting as by their request, coming under consideration, We appoint Piles Gifford, James Tucker, John Gifford, Gideon Howland, Caleb Russell, James Tucker, John Tucker, Samuel Smith, Thomas Hicks, and Benjamin Smith a Committee to consider of said alteration, and accommodate it, and report to next monthly meeting what is necessary to be done therein, and report to next monthly meeting  
John Shepherd Junr having returned to this meeting with the Copy of a minute of this meeting in the 10th month last year, and by the monthly meeting of the 13th of last month signifying his orderly behaviour while among them which is accepted to satisfaction  
Benjamin Chase Reports that the Testimony of denial of Benjamin Gifford Junr and his wife Rhoda had been read according to appointment



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11 Month 1783  
The matter of Chusing Overseers, coming again under consideration is referred to next monthly

Joseph Wood gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his conduct for which he was denied, therefore this meeting appointed Elijah Gifford and Thomas Hicks to have an opportunity of Solid conference with him on that subject in order to discover his Sincerity and to report next monthly meeting

A Removal Certificate for Joanna Mosher directed to the monthly meeting at the Nine partners, setting forth her being a member of our Society, and that she had settled her outward affairs to satisfaction; was signed in this meeting in concurrence with the Womens meeting

Received the following advice from the meeting for Sufferings viz. It appearing necessary that some General advice be given respecting what copies from our Records such who have heretofore been members of our Society may reasonably expect to be furnished with. This meeting gives it as their sense and judgment, that it may be a adviseable for any monthly meeting to direct their Clerks, in application of any Person heretofore a member of our Society, or their Survivors friends relations, or others, to give copies of their denials, marriage Certificates, of their Births and Deaths, of their Children and Friends, and of any other minute necessary for asserting their Rights on the same reasonable Terms, as the like copies are or would be granted to members of our Society

Copy of a minute of the meeting for Sufferings held at Dartmouth the 6<sup>th</sup> of the 10<sup>th</sup> month 1783 Extracted by Thomas Mott Clerk Which was read and accepted and is to the satisfaction of this meeting

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Sandwich in behalf of Daniel Wing a minor, living at Peleg Slocum's, which is accepted: Also in behalf of Alice Wing a Girl, which as she is placed out from among Friends: We return the care of her to them; which was signified by an Endowment returned on said Certificate, which was signed by the Clerk

The Women inform that Abigail Briggs hath request ed to be admitted under Friends care; We therefore appoint Jonathan Wilbur and Samuel Smith, to Joine the women friends to take the necessary care therein, and make report to next monthly meeting

Jethro Russell having request ed at the Preparative and this meeting to be admitted under friends care, we therefore appoint William Wood and Seth Ruddlestone to take a Solid opportunity with him and family in order he may be rightly Initiated, and make Report to next monthly meeting

The Women Inform they have taken Ruth Mott under dealing for her misconduct, and have appointed a Committee to treat with her, which this meeting concurs with, and appoints William Gifford, and Stephen Buffinton to Joine the women friends therein, and report to next monthly meeting

Treasurer is ordered to pay to Giles Slocum one pound Ten Shillings for half a Load of Hay he Supplied this meeting with last, and report to this meeting

The Treasurer Reports he hath paid Giles Slocum, as ordered

11 month 1781  
Abigail Briggs  
request  
Jethro Russell  
request  
Ruth Mott  
under dealing  
order on Treasurer  
Report on dealing, Ex preparative meeting

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> of 12 month 1783  
The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are Benjamin Taber, Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all Present

The Queries were read and Answers thereto read and after some amendment were approved by the meeting

The matter of Chusing Overseers coming again under consideration, We therefore appoint Benjamin Taber, Joseph Tucker, Joseph Austin, Benjamin Smith 2, Josef Barker and Colet Russell to the place of Overseers for the year Ensuing and from that time, others shall be appointed in their Rooms, who are desired to attend to their own Gifts therein to see that the cause of Truth be kept to in the several members of our meeting

Received a Certificate on account of William Gifford (son of Ephraim deceased) setting forth his clearness in regard to marriage, and that he is a member of Society, directed to this meeting, from Accasset; also he hath produced consent of his mother, William Gifford and Hannah Smith declared their Intentions taking Each other in marriage and were desired to wait till till next monthly meeting for their Answer

Gideon Anthony Informed this meeting that he intends to go to East Hoosuck or Saratoga in order to make some stay with which meeting doth concur he being a member herof and the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> having returned from his Journey at East Hoosuck and Saratoga, produced a few lines from the monthly meeting there setting forth his attendance with them to satisfaction

The Committee appointed to alter or Repair our Meeting House make Report as follows

We the Committee appointed to alter or Repair our meeting house, and after meeting several times, have agreed to nuke the Partition as far Eastward as the Great door, and to have a passage out of the Little Room up stairs; And that the same be Expected as soon as may be; and also that the Womens Chamber be repaired to make it warm, and that the Roof be mended. Signed by direction of the Committee by Samuel Smith  
Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> of 12 month 1783

Which is accepted, and in consequence thereof our Friends, Peleg Gifford, Philip Trafford, and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> are appointed to see said meeting house altered and repaired accordingly and report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to collect money by way of Subscription have made Report, that they have collected the sum of 8--13--3 to Supply the yearly meeting Stock

This meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> of this Instant, after meeting of Wm Mott by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of 12 month 1783  
The Representatives being called, are Benjamin Taber, Thomas Mott and Stephen Gifford all present

The Committee appointed to have the care of that matter Respecting George Smith's and wife Report that they have taken

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Further care therein and that they had some satisfaction; yet the matter for further satisfaction of this meeting is deferred till next monthly meeting under the same friends care, who are then to report  
The Friends appointed to have the care of Setho Russells request Report that they have visited him to some satisfaction; yet Judge it best to defer the matter some time longer for further satisfaction It is accordingly deferred under the same friends care till next monthly meeting, then to report  
The Committee in the care of Jane Mosher and daughter Delilah desires the matter continued; it is accordingly deferred till next monthly meeting, they then to Report  
One of the Committee in the case of Josiah Woods Paper condemning his misconduct, for which he was denied, request that matter continued - it is accordingly deferred till next monthly meeting The Committee then to Report  
The Friends appointed to Joine the Women friends, in treatise with Ruth Mott - Report, that the matter is not accomplished, it is therefore continued under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report  
The Overseers inform that Francis Allen Junior much neglects the attendance of our Religious meetings; and hath attended a marriage out of the Unity of friends, and appears far from that plainness which we profess; for which defects, the said Overseers hath laboured with him, but he did not give them satisfaction; therefore we appoint our Friends William Barker and William Anthony Junr to labour further with him thereon, and make report to next monthly meeting  
Jonathan Tallman requests by way of Preparative meeting to be admitted under our Care, We therefore appoint our Friends Seth Stud-aleston and Stephen Buffinton to take a solid opportunity with said Jonathan, in order to discover his motive therein and make report to next monthly meeting  
The Choice of Overseers of poor (the year being expired since last choice) is referred to next monthly meeting  
Received a request and Information by some Friends appointed by Saratoga monthly meetings, of the 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> of last month Signifying that William Russell removed from thence to Dartmouth without Certificate leaving his outward affairs unsettled to the Satisfaction of Friends. We therefore appoint Benjamin Howland & Nicholas Lopham to treat with said William Russell and Report to next monthly meeting  
An Epistle to the Quarterly meeting was prepared, and signed by the Clerk, and directed to be forwarded by our Representatives, who are William Anthony Junr, James Davis, Cole Barker, and Joseph Kuster, and they to make report to next monthly meeting  
The Committee to provide Hay for the last Quarterly meeting past, have brought Noah Russells account, for one Tun the amount being Twelve Dollars which the Treasurer is directed to pay, when he hath money from the meeting and make report to this meeting  
Samuel Smith, Jonathan Wilbur Benjamin Howland & George Smith are appointed to review and inspect this meetings minutes of the year past in order that they may be Recorded, and settle accounts with the Treasurer, and make Report to next monthly meeting

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784  
Joseph Barker  
Prince Pottenall  
Joshua Macomber  
Benjamin Pitley  
Joshua Macomber  
This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for worship  
Met by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784  
The Representative being called are all present

At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 19<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are John Howland Joseph Barker and Prince Pottenall present  
The friends appointed to Treat with Josiah Wood Report that they have had an opportunity with him to a degree of satisfaction; and he having given in a paper condemning his misconduct; which this meeting concludes to accept of for Satisfaction, Provided he cause said paper to be publicly read at the close of a first day meeting of worship, he being present, and return it to next monthly meeting  
This meeting in concurrence with the Women friends, hath signed an information to Rhod Island monthly meeting respecting Alice Wood and sent notice to hinder her being received into membership  
The Friends appointed to repair the Meeting house: Report that they have made some progress therein, but accomplished fully, they are therefore continued in said service, and report to next monthly meeting  
The friends appointed in the case of George Smith and wife Report that they have had another opportunity of solid conference with them, and that they gave them so much satisfaction as that Friends may receive their acknowledgments; and this meeting do weighing the matter and having the concurrence of Women friends, do conclude to accept of their said acknowledgment for satisfaction Provided they cause said paper of acknowledgment to be publicly Read at the close of a first day worship, and they both present and return the same to next monthly meeting  
The Committee appointed to Treat with Francis Allen Junr Report that they treated with said offender, and that he gave them no satisfaction; therefore this meeting doth disown him the said Francis Allen Junr from being any longer a member of our Society  
William Gifford and Hannah Smith appeared for their answer which was that they might proceed to take each other in marriage in some convenient time before next monthly meeting, advising with the friends that this meeting shall appoint to oversee the same who are William Anthony Junr and Jonathan Wilbur and they to make Report to next monthly meeting  
The Friends appointed to have a conference with Jonathan Tallman on his request Report, that they have had a solid satisfactory opportunity with him; and think he is in some degree sincere in his request  
Benjamin Pitley having returned home hath produced a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Saratoga setting forth his orderly conduct while there; which is to our satisfaction  
Joshua Macomber attended this meeting with a copy of a minutes from the monthly meeting at Saratoga, which was read to satisfaction and an Indorsement wrote thereon signifying the same  
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This meeting adjourns to y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for worship  
Met by adjournment y<sup>e</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784  
The Representative being called are all present



1 Month 1784 Jonathan Talman is appointed to Inform Francis Allen of his sen- make report next monthly meeting

Jonathan Talman The matter in regard to Jonathan Talman's request coming again under consideration, and solidly considering thereof, do conclude grant his request, and do receive him into membership with us, We having the concurrence of women friends herein

Jethro Russell The Friends appointed to confer with Jethro Russell on his request to be taken under friends care & make Report, that they have had a solid opportunity of Conference with him, which was in degree satisfactory, and this meeting taking it under consideration do accept him into Membership with us having the women's concurrence herein

Codejars The matter of choosing Doors for the poor is refer'd to the next Monthly meeting, and the former ones are continued to that time

W Russell The friends appointed in regard to Sara the request of Saratoga meeting concerning William Russell, Report, they have Treat with him for his mis conduct, and that he gave them some encouragement to endeavour to satisfy friends at that meeting; but it is not yet don, therefore said Committee are still continued to see that he doth perform according to encouragement given and to make Report when it shall be done, or other wise, when they shall think friends have waited a sufficient time therefor

Quarterly meeting The friends appointed to attend the Quarterly meeting Report they all attended agreeable to appointment, who have produced an Epistle from said meeting, which hath been read to satisfaction, and the advices contained therein Refer'd to next monthly meeting for further consideration

Jane Mosher The Committee appointed in conjunction with the women's meeting in the case of Jane Mosher and her daughter Delila make Report, that they have had several solid opportunities with them, and that the said Jane gave them so much satisfaction they think it may be safe to let the matter drop in regard to her the said Jane Mosher but as to her daughter Delila she did not give them satisfaction, therefore they have drafted a Testimonial against said Delila, which hath been read, and the said report and denial hath been accepted, and said Testimony signed by the Clerk who is directed to read the same publicly at the close of a meeting of Worship on the first, and make report to next monthly meeting

Our Representatives to the Quarterly meeting have produced a Receipt from the Quarterly meetings Treasurer that he Rec'd £8 - 13 - 3 by way to supply the yearly meeting Stock

Seats for Black Our meeting being informed that the Black people that attend our meeting for Worship have at some times been provided with Seats, Therefore this meeting appoints Thomas Hick's, John Devaul, Philip Trifford, William Anthony's, Caleb Russell, Joseph Austin and Abel Gifford to inspect into that matter and provide such Seats as they may think best and inform them thereof and make report when accomplished

Revised minutes The Committee appointed to Revise this meetings minutes report they have revised said minutes and directe them to be recorded and that they have settled accounts with the Treasurer

10 month 1784, Certificate for membership with us, The last Ben Allen, Ben part, M, W Russell, Thos, a certificate, Codejars, W Russell, Quarterly meeting, Jane Mosher, Receipt, Seats for Black, Revised minutes

1 Month 1784 And that ther remained in Stock before the date hereof after all Orders are paid that we allowed the sum of £9 - 4 - 2 which sum was then in Stock which was of 17<sup>th</sup> first mo 1784 which was before our last Collection

The women inform that Thebe Lapham keeps company with a man not of our Society, and request our assistance therein, therefore we appoint Georg Smith and William Anthony's for that purpose and they to report next monthly meeting

Abraham Allen informs this meeting he has thoughts of disposing of his Estate, and desires friends advice therein, therefore we appoint Geles Stocam and Elijah Gifford to inspect into his Circumstances and to advise him as they find best, and report to next monthly meeting

The women request the assistance of this meeting in regard to Deborah Howland who hath removed within Accabset monthly meeting without a Certificate therefore we appoint John Devaul and Seth Haddleton for that purpose and to report their doing there in next monthly meeting

1 Month 1784 A Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth of 16 of 2 month 1784 The Representatives from Preparative meeting being called are Barnabas Russell, Thomas Mott and Daniel Ricketson all present

The Clerk informs that Josiah Woods paper hath been read as directed last monthly meeting and the paper returned to this meeting, and said Josiah received accordingly

The Friends appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have not accomplished it yet by reason of the severity of the weather, they are therefore continued to accomplish the same and Report to next monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that George Smith and wife have carried their paper of acknowledgments to be read as directed last monthly meeting, and the said George Smith and wife are readmitted into membership accordingly

The friends appointed to attend the marriage of William Gifford and Hannah Smith, report that they attended said marriage and did not see but that it was orderly solemnized

John Howland informs that he hath informed Francis Allen's of his denial, as directed last monthly meeting

The advices of the Quarterly meeting coming again under the consideration of this meeting, viz. the Treading weightily and tenderly which such as may be in the practice of sleeping in meetings, as also the tenderly advising those who may unguardedly use, as also the practice of dealing in spirituous liquors, and that incline to the practice of dealing in spirituous liquors, therefore dealing in them may be discouraged among Friends, Therefore meeting appoints Abel Gifford, Caleb Russell, Thomas Hick, William Gifford, Joseph Austin, Jonathan Wellbor, John Devaul and Seth Haddleton to Treat with the former and advise the latter agreeable to the Quarterly meetings advices, and the mind of Truth therein, and make report from time to time as may be necessary

The friends appointed to assist the women in regard to Deborah Howland who hath removed within Accabset Monthly

1 Month 1784, Thebe Lapham, Abraham Allen, Deborah Howland, 1 Month 1784, Josiah Woods, meeting house, George Smith, William Gifford, Hannah Smith, John Howland, Quarterly meeting, Deborah Howland

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2 month 1784 Monthly meeting without a Certificate and too much neglect of attendance of s<sup>r</sup> Religious meetings, Report that they with the women have taken a solid opportunity with her the said Deborah that she did not give them any satisfaction therefore this meeting doth concur with the women in disowning her

A Removal Certificate was signed in this meeting by the Clerk in concurren of women friends for Mary Wood wife of Abraham Wood directed to the monthly meeting at Saratoga Signifying her right of membership

The further advice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the choosing Clerks for our meeting annually, is refered to next monthly meeting

The choice of overseers of the poor being refered to this meeting Overseers of poor are, John Dewaul, Caleb Barker Jonathan Welton, George Smith and William Gifford are appointed for that service they year Enjoining

The Women request the assistance of men friends in treating with Mary Bowdish - therefore we appoint Joseph Barker and Seth Haddock to assist the Women, and make report to next monthly meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 25<sup>th</sup> instant after the meeting for worship next Mett by adjournment the 25<sup>th</sup> of the 2 month 1784

The Representatives being called were all present The Clerk reports that the Testimony denial of against Delia Mather hath been read as directed last monthly meeting

The friends appointed to advise and assist Abraham Allen report they have not fully accomplished said matter therefore they are continued in that service, and to report next monthly meeting

The Women inform they have Received a removal Certificate for Anna Marshall from the monthly meeting of Nantucket which this meeting concurs with

It is proposed whether it may not be best to divide our Preparative meeting into two distinct Preparative meetings, therefore we appoint our friends James Davis, Thomas Licks, Abel Gifford, Stephen Buffinton, Elijah Gifford and William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>, to Joine the Women friends and take that matter under Consideration and if they think best to divid said meeting they to prepare Boundries between said meetings and report to next monthly meeting

Barnabus Russell Informs this meeting that he hath thoughts of going Philadel<sup>ia</sup> on business, and request 8 minute from this meeting; We concurring with his request; He being a member of this meeting the Clerk is desired to give him a copy of this minute

The friends at Bedford hand in a Petition for to had a meeting house here and friends taking the matter under consideration do appoint Joseph Soper Jun<sup>r</sup> William Gifford Peleg Gifford, Benj Smith & Nicholas Lapham to take that matter under consideration, & report their sense & Judgment thereon next monthly meeting

The Comm<sup>ee</sup> appointed to assist the women in that matter respecting Deborah desire it Bedford and it is refered to next monthly meeting they then to report

Part of the Comm<sup>ee</sup> appointed in the matter respecting Ruth Malt report they made some progress therein and Rec no satisfaction, and she hath proceeded in marriage with the consent of friends & the women inform they have disowned her the P. Ruth Malt which this meeting doth concur with

10 month 1781 Certificate for...  
The Clerk...  
W. Soper...  
11 month 1781

At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth 15<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1784 The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are William Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford all present

The friend appointed to repair the meeting house report that they have proceeded somewhat further therein, but not having accomplished the same they are continued in that service and report next monthly meeting

Two of the Overseers inform that Samuel Gidley hath proceed to keep company and contract marriage with a woman not of our Society, after being precautioned and treated with on that account Therefore this meeting (with the concurre<sup>nce</sup> of the womens meeting) do disown him the said Samuel Gidley from being a member of our Society and Josiah Wood is desired to inform him thereof, and to make report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Joine the women in treating with Mary Bowdish, not having accomplished it they are still continued in said service and to report next monthly meeting

The friend appointed to advise with Abraham Allen in regard to his disposing of his Estate report that they have performed said Service and it was their advice for him so to dispose of his Estate if a suitable opportunity should present which report is accepted by this meeting

The friends appointed in the matter respecting the petition of Bedford friends building a meeting house their make the following Report which is accepted by this meeting and this meeting doth conclude to refer it to our next Quarterly meeting for their approbation and assistance if they may think proper

To the monthly meeting of Dartmouth to be held 15<sup>th</sup> of 11 month 1784 according to appointment some of us attended with a Committee from the Quarterly meeting Respecting friends request at Bedford to build a meeting house there, and after concluding the progress of said house, to be 48 by 36 feet (computing the cost of 400. We think proper for Friends to come to subscriptions in order to accomplish said matter

Joseph Rowland Benjamin Smith Jun<sup>r</sup> William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Giles Rowan Wm Gifford

Some friends in Allens neck and other Friends requesting the privilege of one meeting or more in that neck; this meeting taking the same under Consideration conclude with the womens concurrence the same under Consideration and direct that one meeting for W<sup>om</sup>en be held at Saranna Allens in said Allens neck and that on the next day of this week to begin at the eleven<sup>th</sup> hour, and our friends Elijah Gifford, Giles Rowan, and Thomas Licks are appointed to attend and have the care thereof and report to next monthly meeting

This meeting adjourns to the 24<sup>th</sup> instant of the meeting for worship next Mett by adjournment the 24<sup>th</sup> of 3 month 1784

The Representatives from the Preparative meeting are William Barker Seth Russell and William Gifford all present

The choice of the Quarterly meeting respecting the choice of Clerk to be chosen annually being refered from last monthly meeting and considered William

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3 Month 1784 William Anthony Junor is therefore appointed to continue in that Service the year Ensiuing.

The friends appointed to assist the Women in respect to Thebe Lapham Report that it is not accomplished they are therefore con-

ferred in that Service and to report next monthly meeting

The Women in form they have received a removal Certificate from Nantucket monthly meeting in behalf of Rebecca Roter which meeting concurs with

The Committee appointed to Join the Women friends, to consider matter of dividing the Preparative meeting into two distinct Preparative meetings, and propose Bounds there between them Report as follows - We the Committee of men and women Friends appointed by the Monthly meeting for considering the dividing the Preparative meeting, have Solidly considered and conferred on with several other friends on that matter, and it is our sense and Judgment that it should be divided

and that Line of division be thus viz Beginning at the Southeast corner of Jonathan Tuckers land on the West side of Clark's or Shearmans Cove, from thence till it goes to the Southward of John Howlands house, including said house to the Northward of said line, from thence to the Southeast corner of James Tuckers homestead farm, from thence in a direct line to the brook called the half mile Brook where said brook crosses the Road Northward of Stephen Buffintons, from thence to the South-

east corner of the land formerly belonging to James Shearman on the West side of the High way, and from thence to the Southeast corner of Zephaniah Edlys land in Accordset East line

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Judith Russell William Anthony Junor  
Mary Smith Abiel Gifford  
Sarah Anthony James Davis  
Stephen Buffinton

Which Report is accepted and with the concurrence of the Women said Preparative meeting is divided accordingly, and the denominations of them approved of, and that the South preparative meeting be held as usual at our South old meeting house in Panagarset and the North Preparative meeting be held on fifth day at Newstown, and at Bedford on sixth day next proceeding our Monthly meeting, and the time for holding it at each place be concluded by a Committee for that purpose who are William Anthony Junor Joseph Tucker Junor and Stephen Buffinton they to Join the Women and to make report next monthly meeting, and that the first North Preparative meeting be held at Newstown next month

And notwithstanding the boundaries are above said, yet by the request of Hannah Tucker and her two daughters Rebecca and Joanna they are to be admitted as members of the South Preparative meeting

The Queries were answered and an account prepared to the Quarterly meeting which was signed by the Clerk which account and answers were forwarded by our Representatives who are Samuel Smith, John Howland, Caleb Greene, and they to report to next monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 29<sup>th</sup> of 4<sup>th</sup> mo 1784

The Representatives being called were from the South Preparative meeting Elipha Gifford and Nicholas Lapham, from the North Preparative meeting Caleb Russell and Seth Laddleston all present

Received a removal Certificate on behalf of Caleb Congdon from the monthly meeting of Providence setting forth his right of membership and that he is come to learn a Trade within the Compass of this meeting which this meeting accepts

The Committee appointed to repair the meeting house report that it is not yet fully accomplished therefore they are continued to accomplish it and make report next monthly meeting

Joshua Wood not having made any report of his informing Samuel Giddley of his denial therefore he is desired to report next monthly meeting

Report was made of the Representatives all attended the Quarterly meeting except Caleb Greene, who sent a reasonable excuse which was accepted, and they produced an Epistle from said Quarterly meeting which was read and the contents thereof recommended to individuals to observe, and as the Quarterly meeting hath concluded upon the sum of 5-18-9 more from Dartmouth, to supply the yearly meeting Stock, therefore that friends that had the last subscription for the supply of the yearly meeting take said subscriptions and endeavour to raise said money by Friends subscribing thereto again and they to report next monthly meeting Joseph Austin, being dismissed by reason of his absence John Howard is added in his room

The friends appointed to have the care and direction of the meeting that was appointed in allens neck, report, that they attended said meeting which was conducted orderly and pretty good satisfaction which report the meeting accepts of

The Committee appointed to consider of the holding of the North Preparative meeting report that said meeting be held one half the time at Newstown, and the other half the time at Bedford which report this meeting accepts of

The Women friends inform they have received a removal Certificate from the monthly meeting of Greenwich on behalf of Amie Proud, which meeting concurs with

The Women friends inform they have disowned Thebe Lapham, Now Thebe Russell which this meeting concurs with

As the Quarterly meeting hath appointed a Committee to attend this meeting, and Confer with us and friends at Bedford in regard to building a meeting house at Bedford therefore we appoint our friends Joseph Howland Benjamin Smith, William Anthony Junor, Giles Howland and William Gifford, as a Committee to Join the Quarterly meetings

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Committee in that matter to consider on the bigness of said  
and compute the Cost, and to consider all other matters necessary  
therein and make report when ready

Some of the Overseers inform by way of the Preparative meeting  
Giles Slocum too much neglects the attendance of our Religious  
meetings and appears at times far from that plainness in habit  
becomes our Profession - also hath attended one marriage and the  
Entertainment of another, which marriages were out of the Unity of  
Society and that they laboured with him for the above offences but  
Received no Satisfaction therefore we appoint Seth Huddleston William  
Darker and Thomas Mott to Labour further with him for the above  
offences and make report to the next monthly meeting

The Overseers of the poor handed in an account from Isaac Russell  
keeping Alice Smith Eleven months together with her Funeral charges  
to the amount of 16 - 10 - 0 which this meeting approves of and the  
Treasurer is ordered to pay the same when he is supplied with money  
and report to this meeting

The Overseers of the poor handed in an account from Timothy  
Howland, for keeping Hannah Barker 13 weeks to the amount of 4 - 10 - 0  
which this meeting accepts and the Treasurer is ordered to pay the same  
when supplied with money and report to this meeting

The Friends appointed some time ago advise with Giles Russell re-  
specting his interest, report that they advised with him therein ac-  
cording to their ability, which report is accepted

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At a Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth 19<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are Selegiff  
and Jonathan Willbor, from the North Preparative meeting Joseph  
Austin and Seth Huddleston all Present

The Committee appointed to repair the meeting house report that they  
have accomplished said business as far as appears necessary at present  
Isiah Wood reports that he informed Samuel Gidley of his  
denial as ordered

The friends appointed to Treat with Giles Slocum in<sup>o</sup> on account  
of his disorderly conduct &c. Report that they have had a Solid  
opportunity, and laboured with him but did not receive their desired  
Satisfaction, but request that it may be continued for further Labour  
they are therefore continued in that Service to Treat further with him  
and to make report next monthly meeting

Barnabas Russell having returned from his Journey to Philadelphia  
have returned the Copy of this meetings minute which was made for the  
purpose, to Satisfaction

Philip Allen and Joseph Hart hath given in each of them a paper con-  
cerning and condemning their being in the practice of Gaming during  
this meeting de appoint Jonathan Willbor, William Anthony, and  
Caleb Barker, to inspect into this matter and treat with  
them on that account and report next monthly meeting

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The Women friends inform that they have concluded to disown Mary  
Boswold wife of William Boswold with the concurrence of this  
meeting, which we do concur therewith, and have signed a Testimony  
of denial against her the said Mary, jointly with the women friends  
and the Clerk is directed to read the same publicly at the Close of  
a first day meeting for Worship before next monthly meeting, and  
then to make report

The Committee appointed some time past to Treat with Nathaniel  
Gifford, wife report that they have had several Solid Confer-  
ences with them, but their Labour not having the desired effect  
but that they still continue much remiss in the due attendance of  
our meetings and Friends having waited long for their return  
and not finding in them that Satisfaction which we desire, do  
disown them from being members of our Society, and William  
Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> and Jonathan Willbor are appointed to draw a Testimony  
of denial against them and bring to next monthly meeting, and  
also to inform them of their denial, and make report thereof  
to next monthly meeting Collected 21 - 4 - 10

This meeting adjourns to the second day of next month after  
the meeting for Worship

Met by adjournment 2 day of 6<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
The Representatives from the Preparative meetings being called  
are all present

Most of the Committee of men and women friends appointed to en-  
sue and confer with the yearly meetings Committee, on annexing this  
meeting to Sandwich Quarter not having an opportunity with the said  
yearly meetings Committee, as they did not attend the meeting  
as Expected; yet our said Committee have given in the following  
report

We of the Committee appointed by the monthly meeting of Dartmouth  
to consider of the matter, in regard to our being set off to Sandwich  
Quarter, have well and solemnly considered these upon, our minds  
being measurably disposed to act therein as best Wisdom shall  
direct - but we have not as yet discovered any prospect of any ad-  
vantage either toward promoting the cause of Truth, or of  
good in Society, sufficient in our opinion to make the proposed  
alteration

Given forth by your Committee 25<sup>th</sup> of 5<sup>th</sup> month 1784  
Eliaboth Slocum  
Stephen Buffinton Caleb Russell  
Wm. Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Benj<sup>n</sup> Taber  
Joseph Tucker Thos<sup>s</sup> Hickey  
Sam<sup>l</sup> Smith  
Mary Smith  
Mercy Slocum

which report is accepted & said Committee directed to lay the same with a copy  
of this minute before said yearly meetings Committee & report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to receive collected 5 - 10 - 0 and this meeting  
yearly meetings Report they have collected 5 - 10 - 0 as directed by the Quar-  
terly meeting which is directed to be forwarded to the yearly meetings  
Treasurer by John Howland and to report next monthly meeting

The friends that repaired the meeting house gave in their account  
of the same to the amount of three pounds Eleven Shillings  
which the Treasurer is directed to pay when supplied with money











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Jonathan Slocum gave in a paper condemning his misconduct for which he was disowned, therefore Elijah Gifford and and Timothy Howland are appointed to take a solid opportunity with said Slocum in order to discover his sincerity, and make report to next monthly meeting  
Collected L<sup>s</sup> - 6 - 5  
Out of which the Treasurer has paid C<sup>o</sup> Green 13 - 6  
For a Blank Book for Records by direction of this meeting  
8 month 1781  
At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Dartmouth 16<sup>th</sup> of 8 month 1781  
The Representatives from the preparative meeting are Stephen Buffinton, ~~Isaac~~ Caled Barker; from the North Preparative meeting are Caled Greene and Jonathan Hart all present  
Nathaniel Gifford requests a Copy of the Testimony of his denial which the Clerk is directed to furnish him with and make report to next monthly meeting  
The Women inform they have concluded to accept of Deborah Patters paper condemning her misconduct provided the chuseth it to be read publicly in the usual manner which this meeting agreed  
Ruth Bowdoin hath returned her Certificate with an Endorsement from Dooling Monthly meeting signifying she had attended with Gile Slocum  
The friends appointed in the case of Gile Slocum desire the matter continued another month, it is therefore continued under the same friends care then to report to next monthly meeting  
The Clerk informs that the Testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford and wife, hath been read as directed  
The friend appointed to treat with Benjamin Ricket for report that they had an opportunity with him which was in degree satisfactory and said Beny<sup>r</sup> gave in a paper to this meeting condemning his misconduct in attending an Entertainment for a marriage out of the unity of friends which is excepted for satisfaction  
The friends appointed report they having taken a solid opportunity with Jonathan Slocum which was in degree satisfactory; yet the matter is deferred under the same friends care to next monthly meeting they then to make report  
The weighty advice from the Quarterly meeting by Epith's being again considered is recommended to the solid attention and practical observance of Friends accordingly  
The friends appointed in the case of Philip Allen and Joseph Hart desire the matter deferred another month, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care till next monthly meeting they then to make report  
The Overseers inform that Jonathan Tucker hath so far departed from the Principles of Truth as to utter or deliver some vile and profane expressions, for which he hath been with out did not condemn it to satisfaction therefore we appoint John Howland William Wood John Deonul and William Gifford to take a solid opportunity with said Jonathan in treating with him for that and other misconduct and Report to next monthly meeting

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Caled Greene informs this meeting he intends a Journey to Ninepartners, and as far as East Hoosuck in order to settle some business and visit his relations and expects to visit some meetings of friends and desires our concurrence with a few lines signifying the same we therefore approve of his preceding he being a friend in unity and an Elder, and the Clerk is desired to Vest him with a Copy of this minute  
Abraham Russell gave in a paper condemning his misconduct in joining in an Entertainment for a marriage out of the order of friends we therefor appoint David Shepher and Jonathan Hart to take a solid opportunity with him to discover his sincerity therein and report to next monthly meeting  
Thomas Russell presented an account against this meeting for schooling some poor children of this meeting amounting to L<sup>s</sup> - 11 - 4 which the Treasurer is desired to pay when in stock  
At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth 20<sup>th</sup> of 9 month 1781  
The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are William Barker and Jonathan Willbore from the North Preparative meeting are David Shepher and Benjamin Hope all present  
Received a Removal Certificate from Sandwiche Monthly meeting recommending Stephen Barker, his wife Margaret and his son Samuel to this meeting as members of Society, and in degree of Orderly Lives  
The Clerk informs he hath signed and sent forward by the hand of Samuel Gifford a copy of the Testimony of denial of Nathaniel Gifford which he requested  
The Committee appointed in the case of Jonathan Phenix Report they have made some procedure therein, and request the matter continued with an addition to the Committee; therefore Jonathan Willbore is added to them for that service, and they to report next monthly meeting  
Four of the Committe in the case of Philip Allen and Joseph Hart make Report that they have measurably discharged themselves with them and are free friend should receive their papers of acknowledgment, which this meeting accordingly accepts for satisfaction provided they cause said paper to be read publicly at the close of a first day meeting for worship and return said paper to next monthly meeting  
The friends appointed in the case of Gile Slocum report that they have had another solid opportunity with him, and laboured to convince him of the hurtful tendency of those practices laid to his charge, but that he did not give them satisfaction; yet several friends expressing their concern for the continuance of that matter it is accordingly deferred under the same Committee care and concerned friend with the Committee as they shall find freedom to take another opportunity with Gile and report to next monthly meeting  
The Women inform they have admitted Elizabeth Sanford wife of Elisha Sanford into membership with us which we concur with

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William Anthony are appointed to inquire into the young man's  
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monthly meeting  
William Jan of New York gave in a paper condemning his misconduct  
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reason for his non attendance which was accepted and said Re-  
presentatives have produced an Epistle for said Quarterly meeting  
which hath been read to Satisfaction  
This meeting hath been informed that the papers of Philip  
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last monthly meeting and said papers returned to the meeting  
which are as follows Dartmouth 4 15 of 5 month 1784  
To the Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth  
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10 month 1784  
 Jonathan Tucker  
 William Sanford  
 John Howland  
 William Russell  
 Thomas Hicks  
 Abraham Wood

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Locum having made some progress therein, but not having accomplished it as yet it continued, it therefore is refer'd to next monthly meeting and said committee are accordingly continued in said Service and then they to make report

The friends appointed to treat with Jonathan Tucker report that he being gone from home they have not fulfil'd their appointment, they are therefore continued in that Service and to report to next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to enquire into the cleareness of William Howland report they have made inquiry and do not find any thing to hinder his proceeding in marriage

The friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Jr report that they have made some progress therein, and have had him and Benjamin Allen together who have put themselves in some way of settlement But they not knowing if that it is fully settled said friends are continued in that Service and they to make report to next monthly meeting

The friends concerned in the case of Giles Locum Jr report that some of them have paid him a Visit, but not being able to make a conclusive report therein, it is continued to next monthly meeting then they to make report

The Committee in the case of John Howland (son of Benjamin Howland) Report they have not accomplished that matter, by reason he was gone from home they are therefore continued in that Service and to make report when accomplished

The Committee in the case of William Russell of Bedford report that they have not had an opportunity to fulfil their appointment they are therefore continued in that Service and they to make Report next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed, respect into the case of Thomas Hicks Report that he hath signed a paper which they think may be accepted for satisfaction, which said paper having been read is accepted accordingly; provided he cause the same to be publicly read in the usual manner and returne the same to our next monthly meeting

Received a Certificate from the monthly meeting of Smithfield recommending Ezra Russell a young man under age to the care of this meeting as a member thereof

William Howland and Abigail Willbore appear'd for their answers; which was, that they may proceed to take Each other in marriage some convenient time time before next monthly meeting advising with the friends that shall be appointed to oversee the same, who are William Anthony Jr and Samuel Smith and they to make report next monthly meeting

We are inform'd by a letter from Santaoga monthly meeting that they have taken the Necessary care in regard to Abraham Wood's acknowledgment, and that they think well of accepting the same

11 month 1784  
 Joseph Willbore  
 Joseph Austin  
 Elizabeth Willbore  
 Joseph Willbore  
 Thomas Hicks  
 Jonathan Locum  
 Thomas Hicks  
 Abraham Wood

Provided it be published where the disorders were committed and have for that purpose sent us said paper of acknowledgment and the Clerk is desired to read the same publicly as usual and make Report to next monthly meeting; and said Wood a Removal Certificate, if after enquiry they shall find that his outward affairs are settl'd to Satisfaction; and Seth Russell is added for that Service

Joseph Willbore and Abigail his wife gave in a paper to this meeting desiring to come under friends care, therefore Stephen Buffinton and Abiel Gifford are appointed to take an opportunity of said Conference with the Petitioners in order to discover the motive of their request they to join the women herein, and to report to next monthly meeting

The Women inform that Elezara now wife of Jonathan Holden hath married out of the unity of Friends, and that they have disowned her, which this meeting concurs with

Joseph Austin informs that he intends to take a Journey to the Nine-partners on business, and requested our concurrence which this meeting taking under consideration do concur therewith he being a member of our Society and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this minute

Our Quarterly meeting having proportioned to this meeting to raise the sum of sixteen pounds Lawful money to supply the Quarterly and yearly meeting Stock; therefore Caleb Russell Samuel Smith, William Gifford, John Howland, Gideon Howlands and Jonathan Willbore are appointed to proportion said sum to each Preparative meeting and draw subscriptions for that purpose, and make report next monthly meeting

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At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 15<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> month 1784 The Representatives from the S Preparative meeting are Eljah Gifford and Philip Truford; and those from the North Preparative meeting are Benjamin Taber and Thomas Mott all present

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Locum report that they have been in a progress in that Service but not having accomplished it to satisfaction they are therefore continued in that service and make report next monthly meeting

Thomas Hicks having retised his paper and report of its being read agreeable to the direction of last monthly meeting and is as follows

To the monthly meeting the 18<sup>th</sup> of 11<sup>th</sup> m<sup>o</sup> 1784

Whereas I did not express my mind so fully and intention so fully to Humphry Smith in respect to leaving a matter to Reference, in so clear a manner as I might have done, which and I believe would have been best, which occasion for our Religious Society to be reproachfully spoken of which cometh of mine I am sorry for and as hereby

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of reforming from the evil of his ways, and request said matter  
should be continued for Trial of his sincerity it is accordingly con-  
tinued, and said friends to have the inspection over him and to  
Report next monthly meeting  
The friends appointed to confer with Joseph Willbore and  
Wife, respecting his petition, make a satisfactory report, Report  
and that they think it may be safe for to receive them into mem-  
bership, we do therefore with the concurrence of the Women  
Receive said Joseph Willbore and Wife into membership with us  
The friends appointed in the case of William Sanford's report  
that the matter is not fully settled to satisfaction, they are therefore  
continued to see Endeavour to see that it be accomplished agree-  
able to good Order and to make report next monthly meeting  
The Friends having the care of the matter in regard to  
Giles Hocum's not making a full and conclusive report in  
regard to said matter: it is therefore continued to next monthly  
meeting under the same care as heretofore and then they to  
make report  
The friends appointed in the case of William Russell make  
Report that the matter is not accomplished by reason that one of  
them was unwell they are therefore continued in the same  
service and soth Russell is added in the room of William Bar-  
ker who is unwell, and they to report to next monthly meeting  
The women inform that they have concluded to deny Elizabeth  
Wing widow for attending Sepperae meeting not of Society  
and continues therein: which this meeting concurs with  
The Friends appointed to oversee the marriage of William  
Howland and Abigail Wellbore report that they attended the  
marriage and saw nothing but that it was accomplished in a  
degree Orderly  
The friends appointed to proportion the money to each  
part in preparative meeting Report that they have divided the sum  
Equally between them and have drafted subscriptions in  
order to collect the same, therefore Prince, Potter, Tethers  
Russell David, Shepard, & Zeckiah Smith Caleb Barker  
and Timothy Howland are appointed to take said subscriptions  
and receive the Collections and to pay the same, to the Treasurer  
and to make return to this meeting of the sum total so Collected  
when they have Collected the same who are desired to accom-  
plish it as soon as they conveniently can  
Samuel Smith is chosen Clerk for this day  
This meeting adjourns to the 24 of this Instant after waiting  
mett by adjournment the 24 of 11 month 1784  
The Report presentatives being called all present except Ben  
Taber, who hath sent an excuse for his absence & is accepted

11 Month 1784 The friends appointed in the case of Abraham Wood, not having  
accomplished that matter, one of them being not well, Request  
its continued, which is accordingly to be deferred to next  
monthly meeting under the care of the same friends as before  
and then they to make Report  
The women friends inform that they have received Amie  
Howland int membership, which this meeting concurs with  
This meeting taking under consideration the matter in regard  
to the Title of our Meeting House and Lands, do appoint  
Caleb Barker John Howland and Elijah Gifford or either  
three of them with and in addition to the former Trustees  
to hold said Lands, and do also appoint our friends Caleb  
Russell, Joseph Barker and Jonathan Willbor to see that  
Title be made secure in the manner and form that the meeting  
for sufferings have agreed and concluded upon  
and they to make Report next monthly meeting  
Jonathan Willbore hath handed in an account to this meeting  
for keeping Hannah Barker & for a pair of shoes the amount 5-17-6  
which being allowed by the Overseer of the poor this meeting approves  
thereof and orders the Treasurer to pay the same when supplied  
with money  
The friends in Allens Neck and these away have proposed  
to have some meetings for Worship held at the odd's Sippannah  
Allens for the ensuing Winter Season, which this meeting take  
ing under consideration: Our friends James Davis, Abiel  
Gifford and Stephen Buffinton are appointed to visit those  
friends in said neck either Collectively or Individually as they  
think best, and make Report their Sense to next monthly  
meeting whether it may be for the promotion of the Cause  
of truth or not, and if granted, how many meetings shall  
think best and they to Join the women herein  
The Committee appointed some time past to advise  
with those who may unawordedly incline to the practice  
of dealing in Spirituous Liquors made Report that  
Benjamin Howland & is in that Practice, and altho  
they have treated with him thereon, an advised him to  
desist yet he continues there in in such a manner as is reproch-  
ful to our Society: therefore this meeting appoints John Howland  
Elijah Gifford, Philip Trappford and Samuel Smith to labour  
further with him the said Benjamin in order for his reformation  
from such a practice, and they to report to next monthly meeting  
The time of the School Committee's appointment being  
Expired the same are continued for one month longer  
And George Smith and William Wood are added to them

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At a Monthly Meeting of Friends held in Danmorth 20<sup>th</sup> of 12 mo 1781  
1781 The Representatives from the South Preparative are Gidas Stocum  
and Peleg Gifford from the North Preparative meeting are Joshua  
Potter and Joseph Austin, all Present

Report concerning those that have held and those that have been held as slaves. Report that they proceeded therein and find  
Two cases that remain in an unfelled way which need further con-  
sideration and labour, which report being accepted, the friend of the  
Committee is directed to lay the said cases before the Overseers  
who are directed to inspect therein, and the Committee is dismissed  
from that service

The Friend appointed in the case of Jonathan Stocum request  
that matter continued, having been in a further labour therein, yet  
have not accomplished it. It is continued under the same friend  
case who are desired to accomplish their appointment and report  
to next monthly meeting

Two of the friends appointed in the case of Giles Stocum  
Report that they have had another opportunity with to discover  
the state of his mind but reced no further Satisfaction, and  
Friends having discharged themselves towards him, do here-  
by disown him from membership with us, and Elijah Gifford  
is directed to to inform him thereof and report to next monthly  
meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of William Russell of Bedford  
Report that they that they have taken a further opportunity with  
him and not receiving Satisfaction drafted a Testimony of  
his denial - ~~with~~ which the women concurring, and Caleb  
Greene is direct to cause the same to be read publickly in the usual  
manner at Bedford, and inform said William thereof and  
Report to next monthly meeting

The women inform they have concluded to deny Annis Gidley  
Lyden which this meeting concurs therewith

The Women produced a Testimony of the denial of Elisabeth  
Wing which being read, was concurred with and signed by the Clerk  
who is directed to cause the same to be read publickly in the  
usual manner before next monthly meeting and report to the same

The Clerk reports that Abraham Woods paper of acknowledg-  
ment hath been read as directed

Abraham  
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A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk in behalf of Abraham  
Wood, directed to the monthly meeting of Saratoga signifying  
his acknowledgment was accepted and outwardly settled  
to Satisfaction he having moved and settled there

The Committee to see the titles of our meeting houses and  
Lands made secure, &c Report, they gone into that matter and  
request it Deser'd, they are therefore continued in that service  
and to make report next monthly meeting

The School Committee with the addition of those last month  
are continued in that service till others are appoint in their stead

The friends appointed to treat with Benjamin Howland  
respecting his keeping a Tavern &c Report that they have treat-  
ed with him accordingly, but he not giving them the desired  
Satisfaction; yet think it best it be continued and he fur-  
ther treated with; it is accordingly continued under the  
same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

The friends appointed to Visit Friends in Allens neck  
and consider of their request for holding meetings there, Report  
that they have visited Friends there according to appointment  
and think it best for them to have some meetings there granted  
to be held there this meeting taking the matter under Considerati-  
do with the concurrence of the women grant said request so far  
as for them to hold meeting as follows; Two first days in each  
month, that is one on the first day next before, and one on the  
first day after our Monthly meeting - and midweek meeting on  
Third days, in each week our midweek meeting we usualy held  
for Worship; Only to be continued till the monthly meeting in  
the 4<sup>th</sup> month next; under the care of Elijah Gifford and Timothy  
Gifford and Jonathan Willcox who are to report to this meeting  
at the Expiration of said Time

The Friends appointed to Treat with John Howland (son of  
Benjamin) produced a paper from him condemning his misconduct  
which is accepted Satisfaction provided he cause the same to be  
read in the usual publick manner, and return it with Report  
to the same to next monthly meeting

The Committee appointed in the case of Building meeting  
at Bedford report that they had attended to the  
matter and concluded on the size of to be 48 feet by 36 -  
and concluded the cut to about 400 and think proper that  
Friends come to a subscription for that purpose. Therefore  
we appoint Seth Russell, John Howland, Barnabus ~~Howland~~  
Russell Edmond Maxfield and Caleb Russell Collect by  
way of subscriptions such sums as Friends may give for the  
Building said house, which said Comitee are also to see built  
accommodated and accomplished as soon a convenience & Circum-  
stances will admit and report from time to time of their progress  
therein



12 Month 1784 This meeting is adjourn'd to the 20<sup>th</sup> of this instant after meeting of worship Mett by adjournment

The Representatives being called are all present Jonathan Tucker Report The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker Report that they have had another opportunity with him which was not much to satisfaction; get desire the matter continued; it is accordingly referred to next monthly meeting they then to make report

William Sanford Report The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Report that it not settled to satisfaction they are therefore continued to use farther endeavor that it be accomplished and Barnabas Russell are added to them in that service, and they to make report next monthly meeting

Collection The South Preparative meeting in their account inform they have collected and sent to the Treasurer of this meeting £ 0-12-5 And the North Preparative meeting 0-15-8

Ebenezer Mesher Report The Overseers inform that Samuel Mesher (son of Ebenezer) walks so far from the good Order established among Friends as to attend a marriage accomplished out of the Order of Friends and appears far from that simple plainness we profess, much neglecting the attendance of our Religious meetings for all which he hath been Labour'd with but did not give satisfaction therein therefore we appoint Benjamin Howland 2 and Caleb Green to treat further with him thereon and Report to next monthly meeting

The Queries in each Preparative meeting from which general answers were prepared and read in this meeting - Also an Epistle prepared for the Quarterly meeting, all which are forwarded to said Quarterly meeting by our Representatives who are Abiel Gifford, James Davis, Stephen Buffinton and Caleb Greese and they to report next Monthly meeting

Abiel Gifford Report Abiel Gifford gave in an account for Hay, and Carting, bill for expended at our last Quarterly meeting to the amount of £ 6-6-0 Hay an account whereof was handed to the Quarterly meeting and the Treasurer is ordered to pay Abiel Gifford when supplied with money

Subscriptions The Friends appointed to raise money by Subscriptions Report that they have collected in the South preparative meeting £ 5-11-0 North Preparative meeting 6-15-3 Total 12-5-2

Which they have paid to the Treasurer; and the Preparative meetings are desired to continue their subscription till the sum of 20 pounds be raised

In concurrence of women Friends a Certificate was signed by the Clerk Gifford in behalf of Hannah Gifford wife of Wm Gifford to a meeting of next Reverse Samuel Smith, Hezekiah Smith, Wm Anthony & Caleb Russell are appointed to settle accounts with the Treasurer and revise the minutes of the meeting in order they may be recorded & report next monthly meeting

The Treasurer is directed to pay the above sum of 12-5-2 and add 12/10 out of the Treasury there, to the Representative to the Quarterly meeting & report to next monthly meeting. The said Representatives are to send it to the Quarterly meeting Treasurer and Report of the same to this meeting

10 month 1781  
Confession of the  
Wife  
The wife  
Benjamin  
William  
Caleb  
Abiel  
James  
Stephen  
Caleb  
Hannah  
Reverse  
Order  
Treasurer  
Report on  
the

Month 1785 At a Monthly Meeting held in Dartmouth, 17<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1785 The meeting being convened, The Representatives named from the Preparative meetings are from the South Joseph Tucker and Timothy Howland; North Joseph Austin and Thomas Mott, who being called are all present

Jonathan Howland Report The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Howland report that they have not accomplished the same, and desired it continued, it is accordingly continued under the same friends care who are desired to accomplish the same and report next monthly meeting

Elijah Gifford informs that he hath not acquainted Giles to come of his denial as directed, he is therefore continued in that service and Report to next monthly meeting

Elizabeth Wings Testimony of Elizabeth Wings hath been read as directed which is as follows

Whereas Elizabeth Wing widow to Samuel Wing deceased Late of Dartmouth deceased; Having had her Education and lived in Profession with friends untill now of Late she hath so far departed from our Profession as to attend such meetings as are held out of the unity of Friends and we having treated with her in love in order for her restoration and return, but she not adhering to our advice & Counsel given, but still continues and persist therein and to justify her said Practices, therefore we do publicly disown her the said Elizabeth Wing from being a member of our Religious Society, until by a sincere return and Reformation she shall be restored to the way of Truth

Given and signed in and on behalf of our monthly meetings of men and women friends held in Dartmouth 17<sup>th</sup> of 1<sup>st</sup> month 1784 By Wm Anthony Jr. Clerk Mercy Howland Clerk

The Committee to inspect and see the Titles of our meeting Houses and Lands made Secure &c. Report, that they have made some Progress therein, but as it will take some time to complete it desires it continued; the same friends are therefore continued in that service and to report when ready

Benjamin Howland 3 Report that they have had further opportunity with him, But not receive much satisfaction; yet the matter is continued under the same friends care who are to report next monthly meeting

John Howland Report The Clerk informs that John Howland (son of Benjamin) hath caused his paper condemning his misconduct to be read as directed

Jonathan Tucker Report The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker report that they have not accomplished that matter tho they have had some Inspection therein, and desired it referred, it is accordingly continued under the same Friends care who are directed to take a solid opportunity with said Jonathan and Report to next monthly meeting

William Sanford Report The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Report

In Title of meeting house and Lands  
Benjamin Howland  
John Howland  
Jonathan Tucker  
William Sanford



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The last  
Wm Russell  
Caleb Greene  
Samuel Mosher  
William Russell  
11 month  
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Testimony  
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he  
By  
Wm Russell  
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1 Month Report they have made further progress therein, but not being accomplished it is continued under their care who are to report to next monthly meeting

Return from Quarterly meeting Report that they all attended except Abiel Gifford, who sent a satisfactory reason of his non attendance, said Representatives produced an Epistle from the Quarterly meeting which was read in this meeting to Satisfaction, and the further consideration of it is refer'd to next monthly meeting. They also produced a Receipt from the Quarterly meeting Treasurer, L<sup>12</sup>-14-0, the money sent from this meeting, and that the account of 3-6-0 was accepted by the Quarterly meeting expended for Hay

Caleb Greene returned a copy of a minute of this meeting in the 8<sup>th</sup> of Last, he having returned from his Journey and Visit

Revising the Friends appointed to Revise this meeting Minutes &c not having accomplished it they are continued in that Service and Report to next monthly meeting

Collected at the South Preparative meeting the sum of 0-7-3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> at the North the sum of 0-14-4 Total - 7-1-7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

The Committee appointed to Treat with Samuel Mosher respecting his disorder Report that they had a solid opportunity with him, but he gave them no satisfaction nor no encouragement to satisfy Friends; therefore with the concurrence of the Women friends we hereby disown the said Samuel Mosher from being a member of our Society - and Caleb Greene is desired to inform him

Caleb Greene informs that the Testimony of the denial of William Russell of Bedford hath been read, as directed, William being present at the reading thereof - Which is as follows

Whereas William Russell (son of Jonathan Russell of Nantucket) having made profession with us the People called Quakers, but through inattention to the dictates of Truth, hath so far departed from the chaste Principles which we profess, as to fall into the gross Sin of Fornication, as appears by his own Confession; and Friends having laboured with him on that account, and he not rendering the desired satisfaction; - Therefore for the clearing Truth and Friends, from such reproach we are concerned to give forth this as a Public Testimony against him the said William Russell, conduct hereby disowning; and disallowing him from being a member of our Religious Society, until he may be favoured with a Sigh and a Sense of his gross misconduct; and by unfeigned Repentance turn to the way of Truth, which is our sincere desire

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of a Monthly meeting of the People afore said held in Dartmouth the 20<sup>th</sup> of 12 month 1781  
By - Wm Anthony Esq. Clerk

1785  
2 Month At a Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth the 21<sup>st</sup> of 2 month 1785 The Representatives from the South Preparative meeting are Giles Stocum and Stephen Gifford; From the North, Seth Russell and Seth Huddleston, who being called are all present

Elijah Gifford reports that he hath informed Giles Stocum Esq of his denial as directed

Received a Certificate from the Monthly meeting of Pembroke in behalf of Eliakim Mosher, that he hath served out his apprenticeship there, and behaved in a good degree Orderly; and clear of marriage Engagements - Which is accepted

The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Stocum report that they have had several opportunities with him; and that he gave them some satisfaction; yet for further proof of sincerity; the same Friends are continued for that Service and take such further Steps therein as may appear best; and report to next Monthly meeting

Joseph Austin returned a Copy of a minute of this meeting he having returned from his Journey to the Nine Partners

A Removal Certificate in behalf of Rebecca Rotch Widow of Joseph Rotch, directed to the Northern district of Philadelphia was read and signed by the Clerk expressing that she is a member of our Society; and hath settled her affairs to Satisfaction

The Friends appointed in the case of William Sanford Esq desire that matter continued it is accordingly deferred under their care till next Monthly meeting they then to report

The Community in the case of Benjamin Howland's report that they have had another solid opportunity with him; but not to satisfaction; yet the same friends are continued to treat further with him thereon and make report to next monthly meeting

The Friends appointed to revise the minutes and settle accounts with the Treasurer Report that they have accomplished the last minutes and left them with William Anthony to Record, and have settled accounts with the Treasurer up to the 18<sup>th</sup> of the first month 1785 and find their Meeting hath given him order to pay out to the amount of L<sup>10</sup>-5-8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> more than he ~~has~~ is supplied with money to pay as yet; consequently this meeting is in Debt that sum

The Women inform that they have concluded to deny Ellice Russell wife of William Russell of Bedford which this meeting consent with Caleb Greene reports he hath informed Samuel Mosher of his denial as directed

The year being expired of the Service of the Overseers, yet a new Choice is deferred till next monthly meeting at the opening of the business therein Abraham Mosher informs he intends a Journey to Nine Partners with a view of doing some business there, which this meeting concurs with, he being a member of this Meeting, and the Clerk is desired to give him a Copy of this Minute

Abraham Russell requests a Certificate from this meeting to the Monthly meeting of the Northern districts of Philadelphia Expressive of his being a member and, clearing respecting marriage



10 month 1785

For the sake of the meeting

The Case of Ben Allen

Wm Joffe

Chas Russell

Confessing a matter

Taber

Buy and

11 month 1785

To sell wood

Testimony of Denial

money collected

Adjourned

Abraham Russell's Certificate

Report concerning

about an

2 Month 1785 And Consideration. Therefore Benjamin Taber and John Howland are appointed to take the necessary care therein, and if they find no Obstacle, they to Report a Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey, he being about to remove there, Abiel Gifford and William Gifford are therefore appointed to take the necessary care therein, and report to next Monthly meeting

Ebenezer Chase desiring a Removal Certificate to the Monthly meeting of Swanzey, he being about to remove there, Abiel Gifford and William Gifford are therefore appointed to take the necessary care therein, and report to next Monthly meeting

The Friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Tucker, report that they have treated further with him on his misconduct, but that he does not give them Satisfaction: and produced a draught of a Testimony against him, which with the concurrence of the Women Friends was signed by the Clerk who is desired to cause the same to be read in the usual manner and report to next Monthly meeting, and the same friends are desired to inform Jonathan thereof. Which Testimony is as follows

Whereas Jonathan Tucker having had his Birth and Education among us the people called Quakers; but for want of more closely adhering to the dictates of his own Conscience has been guilty of using profane and unbecoming Language; as also frequently, and unnecessarily reporting at Taverns, too frequently partakes of Spiritous Liquors; all which being inconsistent with our Religious Profession; We having laboured with him for the above offences, but do not find Satisfaction; therefore we give this forth as a publick Testimony against his conduct hereby disowning him the said Jonathan Tucker from being a member of our Religious Society until through unfeigned Repentance he shall return to the ways of Truth which is our sincere desire

Given forth and signed in and on behalf of our Monthly meeting of friends held in Dartmouth the 25 of 2<sup>d</sup> month 1785

By William Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup> Clerk  
The North Preparative meeting informs that they have raised the Remainder of their proportion of money for Yearly meeting and Quarterly meeting; and paid the same to the Treasurer of this meeting

This meeting concludes to make sale of some of the wood standing on this meeting's Land; at the discretion of Samuel Smith, Giles Shub Thomas Shish, and Gideon Howland, who are appointed for that purpose and they to make report of their proceedings therein from time to time

The Preparative meetings in their account inform they have collected and sent up to the Treasurer Viz from the South 0-55-0 from the North 0-18-0

This meeting is adjourned to the 3<sup>d</sup> of Sept after the meeting for Worship 3 month 9<sup>th</sup> month by adjournment. The Representatives being called Giles Howland and Stephen Gifford present, Seth Huddleston and Seth Russell not present, nor any reason sent of their absence

One of the Friends appointed to take the necessary care for Abraham Russell's request for a Certificate report that they have made the necessary enquiry therein and find no sufficient obstacle to granting his request and therefore produced a Certificate, which after some alteration was signed by the Clerk

Part of the Committee to make sale of wood report that it is their opinion that a considerable quantity may yet be disposed of, tho they have sold one hundred Cords to Josiah Woods at four shillings & six pence per Cord standing

Month 1785

3<sup>d</sup> month 1785

choice of overseers

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And that if Friends would assist in getting a quantity to the Land-ing it may be sold to more advantage, therefore said Committee are desired to draught & promote Subscriptions for Friends to cut and cart as much as they shall be free to in order to defray the charge of this meeting and bring said Subscriptions to next Monthly meeting

A quarterly meeting held in Dartmouth the 25<sup>th</sup> of 3<sup>d</sup> month 1785  
The Representatives from the Preparative Meetings are from the South Philip Trafford & Elijah Gifford from the North Ben<sup>r</sup> Butler & Jonathan Hart

who being called are all present. The choice of overseers being refer'd from last M<sup>o</sup> meeting to this Benjamin Taber Joseph Austin Joseph Tucker Jun<sup>r</sup> Elijah Gifford William Gifford & Jonathan Hart

are appointed for that service for the year ensuing or till others may be appointed in their stead

The friends appointed in the case of Jonathan Howland report, that they have not all had opportunity so as to accomplish that matter & desire it continued, it is accordingly deferred under their care they to make report at next Monthly meeting

The committee appointed in the case of Ebenezer Chase report that they have not accomplished s<sup>d</sup> business therefore they are continued in s<sup>d</sup> service & to report the next Monthly meeting

The Clerk informs that the Testimony of the Denial of Jonathan Tucker has been read as directed & the committee report that Jonathan hath been informed thereof

The committee in the case of Benjamin Howland report that he hath given them so much encouragement that they desire the matter continued, which is accordingly deferred under the same Friends care who are to report to next Monthly meeting

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In concurrence with the Women's meeting, a Testimony of the denial of Eunice Russell, wife of William Russell of Bedford, was sign'd by our Clerk.

Our Friend Ann Jessop attended this Meeting with her Certificates from New Garden Monthly meeting and Quarterly meeting of the 8<sup>th</sup> month last which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction & her visit and labours of Love were also to satisfaction.

Let's Huddleston gave the reasons of his Nonattendance of the Adjournalment of last Monthly meeting of the 8<sup>th</sup> month last, which were satisfactory.

The South Prepar. meeting in their account inform they have collected and handed to the Treasurer of this Meeting

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The North Preparative Meeting

13. 5

Total 1. 9. 7

The Queries were read with the Answers from the Preparative Meetings, and Samuel Smith & Jonathan Wilbur, are appointed to compile & answer into general ones and bring to the Adjournalment of this Meeting, with an Account to this Meeting, with an Account to the Quarterly meeting.

A Remoral Certificate was sign'd by the Clerk in behalf of Eliakim Mosher, to the Monthly meeting of Ninepartners, expressing his right of membership and cleareness respecting marriage.

10 month 1781  
The late Ben Allen  
W. Jessop  
Russell  
Confession  
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With the Concurrence of the Women, this Meeting admits into Friends care, Jethro and Rebecca Russell's Children by their request of their Parents, the Children's names are Martha, Mary and Howland.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 2<sup>d</sup> of next month, at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour.

4<sup>th</sup> month 2. Met by adjournment. The Overseers being called are all present. The Year of the service of the Clerk being expired and William Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> having served this Meeting as Clerk for some years to satisfaction, therefore Abel Greene is appointed Clerk for the year ensuing, or till another be appointed in his place.

The Friends appointed in the Case of William Sandford jun<sup>r</sup> report, that it is not accomplished and desire it continue, it is accordingly deferred under the same Friends care, till next Monthly meeting, they then to report.

A Proposal from this Meeting in concurrence with the Women, was forwarded to the Quarterly meeting, that it be recommended to the Yearly meeting, whether the answering the Queries once a year only, would not be more useful, than every Quarter, or at least, that some of the Principal ones, only, be answer'd at each Quarterly meeting.

Rebecca  
Russell's  
children  
Adjourn'd  
Met  
Abel Greene  
Clerk  
W<sup>m</sup> Sandford  
Case con-  
tinued  
A Proposal  
2<sup>d</sup> meeting  
respecting  
Queries







5 month  
1785

A Monthly meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 16<sup>th</sup> of the 5 month 1785.

The Representatives from the South Preparatory Meeting are Benjamin Howland and George Smith, from the North, Prince Potter and Jesh Russell, who being called are all present.

The Committee in the Case of Jonathan Slooam, report, that they have made further progress therein; yet the obstacles for the accomplishment thereof are not removed to satisfaction, so that it is their judgment it should be dismissed from this Meeting and Friends taking the same into Consideration, do dismiss the same accordingly, and the same Friends are desired to inform him of the reasons thereof.

A Removal Certificate was signed by the Clerk directed to the Monthly meeting of Swansea in behalf of Ebenezer Chace, signifying he is a member and settled his outward affairs to satisfaction.

The Friends appointed to treat with Rich<sup>d</sup>. Lapham, on his Misconduct, report, that they have not both had opportunity with him, it is therefore deferred under their care, with Caleb Greene till next Monthly meeting, they then to make report.

In Concurrence with the Women, a Testimony of the Denial of Abigail Cornet wife of Alhu Cornet, was read and signed by the Clerk, and W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony

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1781  
Certificate  
for 3<sup>rd</sup> time  
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is appointed to read the same, in the usual public manner and report to next monthly meeting.

The Friends appointed in the Case of W<sup>m</sup>. Sandford jun<sup>r</sup>, report that they have attended thereto, but not accomplished it to satisfaction; it is therefore continued under the same Friends care, who are to report to next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting.

The Committee in the Case of Benj<sup>o</sup>. Howland 3. report, that some further opportunity with him and that he signified he should continue in his Practice, yet at the Desire of some Friends, the matter is continued under the same friends care, as heretofore, who are desired to labour further with him and report to next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting.

The Friends appointed to enquire into James Allen's cleanness and conversation respecting Marriage, report, that they find nothing sufficient to hinder such a Procedure.

The Friends appointed to take the necessary care for a removal Certificate for Stephen Buffintun and Family, report, that they have not yet accomplished it, they are therefore continued to accomplish it and report to next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting.

James Allen and Sarah Howland jun<sup>r</sup> appeared for their answer, which is, that we find nothing sufficient to prevent their proceeding to take each other in Marriage, at some convenient time be-

W<sup>m</sup> Sandford  
case deferred.

B. Howland  
3. case  
deferred.

Report  
James Allen's  
cleanness  
respecting  
Marriage.

Stephen  
Buffintun  
Certificate  
deferred.



10 month 1785  
 Certificate for 2nd meet  
 for 2nd meet  
 Wife & child  
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3 month 1785  
 between this and next monthly meeting, advising  
 with the Friends this Meeting appoints to see said  
 Marriage orderly solemniz'd, who are W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony  
 and Elijah Gifford, who are to report to next  
 meeting.

The Friends appointed to take a solid opportu-  
 nity with Obadiah Beard, report, that they had  
 such an opportunity, in which they found a good  
 Degree of satisfaction. - he is therefore, with the  
 concurrence <sup>of the</sup> Women, readmitted into Membership with  
 us, and W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> is appointed to inform  
 him thereof.

The Treasurer having removed some distance, Ca-  
 l B. Barker is appointed for that service, for the year  
 ensuing, or till some other may be appointed in  
 stead, and W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony jun<sup>r</sup> and Samuel Sm<sup>th</sup>  
 are appointed to settle Accounts with the former Tre-  
 surer and report to next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting.

The Overseers inform, that Job Deval son of  
 John, thro' unwatchfulness and giving way to a  
 vain and Wanton mind, getting into loose and  
 unprofitable Company, by which he hath so far depar-  
 ed from our chaste Principles, as to fall into or  
 under the scandalous Reproach of being guilty of the  
 reproachful Sin of Fornication, by the Declara-  
 tion of Sarah Russell daughter of Elisha. he the  
 said Job having been labour'd with thereon, but he  
 denying said Crime, therefore Joseph Gifford, Samuel  
 Smith

Smith, & Gabel Russell are appointed to en-  
 quire into the State of the Case and labour there-  
 in as way may open and Report to next M<sup>o</sup>.  
 Meeting.

Received a removal Certificate from  
 the Monthly meeting of Hooast in behalf of  
 Zephaniah Edy his Wife Anna and their  
 Children namely John, Job, Mary & Sarah  
 signifying they are Members, and that their  
 outward affairs are settled to pretty good satis-  
 faction which is accepted, they have removed and  
 settled among us:

The Overseers inform that it appears to  
 them that Philip Allen and Joseph Hart are  
 guilty of the unwarrantable practice of gaming  
 at Cards, for which they labour'd with them, but  
 they condemning it not - therefore W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony  
 jun<sup>r</sup>, W<sup>m</sup>. Gifford, & John Deval are appointed  
 to treat further with them thereon, and report  
 to next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting.

James Davis, Joseph Austin & Caleb  
 Greene, are appointed as an Addition to the  
 Trustees for receiving & holding our Titles to  
 our Meeting house Lands.

The S<sup>r</sup>. Prepar<sup>r</sup>. Meeting in their account  
 they have Collected & paid to the former Treas<sup>r</sup>. 10 - -

The North. d. collected and handed to  
 the Present Treas<sup>r</sup>. 1 - - 3  
 Total £ 11 - 3

Philip Allen  
 & Joseph Hart  
 Addition  
 Trustees  
 holding  
 Titles to  
 Meetinghouse  
 Collection



30 month  
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At a Monthly-meeting held in Dartmouth  
the 20<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month 1785.

The Representatives from the South, are Tho<sup>s</sup>.  
Russell and Joseph Wilbur from the North, Bar-  
nabas Russell and Elisha Huddleston all present.

Received a removal Certificate from the month-  
ly Meeting of Acasset, recommending off<sup>r</sup> Trippe  
and Wife Elizabeth to our care, with their Chil-  
dren, namely Othniel, Maria, Lydia & Elizabeth  
they having removed within the Compass of this Meet-  
ing to Live, which is accepted.

The Friends appointed to treat further with  
Rich<sup>d</sup>. Lapham, report that he going to Sea,  
deprived them of an Opportunity of treating with  
him thereon, it is therefore deferred under the same  
Friends care till next m<sup>o</sup>. Meeting, they then to report.

W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony, Jun<sup>r</sup>, reports that he hath  
read the Testimony of Denial of Abig<sup>l</sup>. Cornell  
Wife of Olin Cornell according to the Direction  
of last M<sup>o</sup>. Meeting.

The Friends, appointed in the Case of  
W. Sanford Jun<sup>r</sup> report that the Matter between him  
and Benjamin Allen is settled by Arbitration  
- this Meeting, therefore concludes to accept of his Pa-  
per condemning his Misconduct, for Satisfaction

Part of the Committee in the Case of Ben-  
jamin Howland 3, report, they have had with other  
friends

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1785

Friends, a solid Opportunity with him, and  
that he desired it may be continued, it is accord-  
ingly deferred under the same Friends care till  
next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting, they then to make report.

W<sup>m</sup>. Anthony Jun<sup>r</sup>, reported that he in-  
formed Obadiah Beard of his readmittance  
into Membership as desired last M<sup>o</sup>. meeting.

One of the Friends appointed in the over-  
sight of the Marriage of James Allen and  
Sarah Howland, reports, that he attended  
said Marriage, and according to his sense, it  
was solemnized in a degree orderly, - and that  
Elijah Gifford, the other Friend, could not  
attend by reason of sickness.

The Committee in the Case of Joseph Sta-  
pley and Philip Allen, desire that matter continues  
till next M<sup>o</sup>. meeting, which is according-  
ly deferred under their care, they then to report.

Sanny Gifford informs that she has  
it on her Mind to attend the Quarterly meeting  
of Sandwich, next to be held at Sanduct,  
desiring Friends Concurrence therewith, and  
this Meeting taking it under Consideration, do  
approve thereof, she being a Member in Uni-  
ty and her Publick Testimony approved among  
us, and the Clerk is desired to furnish her  
with a Copy of this Minute.

W. Anthony  
Jun<sup>r</sup> Report

Report of  
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 misconduct in going into Company, where were  
 dancing and Dancing and there drinking so as to render  
 him for business: - whereupon we appoint our friends  
 David Shepherd, Caleb Greene and Jos. Howland,  
 to take a solid Opportunity with him, and make  
 inspection, in order to discover his Sincerity, and re-  
 port to next M. meeting

Benj. Allen (son of Philip deceased) gave  
 in a Paper condemning his falling into the re-  
 proachful Sin of Fornication and Marrying out of the  
 Unity of Friends, Thomas Russell & Thomas Hicks are  
 appointed to take a solid Opportunity with said Benj. in  
 order to discover his Sincerity & report to next M. meeting

The Queries were read with the Answers  
 from each Prepara. Meeting, and James Davis, off  
 Anthony Jen. & Samuel Smith, are appointed to  
 compile said Answers from this Meeting, prepare  
 an Account to the Quarterly meeting, and bring to  
 the Adjournment of this Meeting

The South Prepara. in their Acct  
 inform, that they have collected & sent  
 to the Treasurer. 11-10 1/2  
 North Prepara. Meeting. 13-6

This Meeting adjourns to the 8. Day  
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 Not according to Adjournment.  
 The Representatives being called are all present  
 except Seth Huddleston, who sent a satis-  
 factory reason in Writing of his Absence.

The friends appointed in the Case of  
 Stephen Buffinton's Certificate, report, that the  
 Matter is not fully accomplished, they are there-  
 fore continued in said service & to report to next  
 monthly meeting.

One of the Comtee. to settle accounts with  
 the former Treasurer, made report in writing,  
 that he settled S. acct. to the 23. of 6<sup>th</sup> month last,  
 and that it appears, that the former Accounts  
 allowed by this Meeting, amount to £3.10.9 1/2  
 more than he was supplied with Money to pay,  
 and the present Treasurer is desired to pay  
 the same, as soon as supplied with sufficien-  
 cy of money.

One of the Committee appointed in the Case of  
 Job Deval, informs, that they have not all had  
 opportunity with him, tho' they have made  
 some progress therein and therefore desire the  
 Matter defid: it is accordingly continued un-  
 der the same friends care till next Monthly  
 meeting, they then to report.

Received Advice from the Meeting for  
 Sufferings dated the 8<sup>th</sup> of the 6<sup>th</sup> month last, wherein  
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they desire, that one of the first class of Poor, (if any in the Monthly meeting) may be sent to the yearly meetings School: this Meeting taking it into consideration, do commit the care and oversight, <sup>thereof</sup> to the Overseers of the Poor and School Committee, who are to Report next N<sup>o</sup>. meeting

Robert  
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It appearing to this Meeting, that Francis Rotch removed from this Meeting without Certificate, and resides or is often within the compass of Providence N<sup>o</sup>. meeting, Caleb Greene & Joseph Austin, are therefore appointed, to write to said Meeting; what may appear to them necessary and report to next Monthly meeting.

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The Friends appointed to compile the Answers to the Queries, have presented them with a Account to the Quarterly meeting, which after being read are approved and signed by the clerk and sent forward to the Quarterly meeting by our Representatives, who are our friends Thomas Hicks, Jonathan Hart, & Ben<sup>y</sup>. Chace, and they to make report to next Monthly meeting.

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This Meeting is informed by writing from Nantucket N<sup>o</sup>. meeting, that Shubal Bunby Junior hath resided for sometime, within the compass of this Meeting, and hath had no Certificate, desiring us to take some care in that respect, and if it appears best, that he have one, that we acquaint them thereof, we therefore appoint Caleb Russell

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and Barnabas Russell to take the necessary care therein and make report to next Monthly meeting.